



U.S. Embassy Managua
Date: Friday, February 4, 2022

To: Prospective Quoters:

Subject: Request for Quotations number S **19NU7022Q0002**

Enclosed is a Request for Quotations (RFQ) for FOOD SERVICES. If you would like to submit a quotation, follow the instructions in **Section 3** of the solicitation, complete the required portions of the attached document, and submit it to the address shown on the **Standard Form 1449** that follows this letter.

Quotations must include:

1. Section 1 Pricing
2. Section 3, Technical Proposal criteria

The U.S. Government intends to award a Contract/Purchase Order to the responsible company submitting an acceptable offer at the lowest price. We intend to award a Contract/Purchase Order based on initial quotations, without holding discussions, although we may hold discussions with companies in the competitive range if there is a need to do so.

A Site Visit will be scheduled at a date and time to be determined by the Embassy of the United States (MSG). Potential bidders will be notified accordingly.

Quotations are due no later than Friday, February 25, 2022 by Close of Business (COB) at 2:00 pm.

Sincerely,

TYLER JOHNSTON

Contracting Officer

Enclosure

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SECTION 1 - THE SCHEDULE
(CONTINUATION TO SF-1449) RFQ NUMBER S-19NU7022Q0002
PRICES, BLOCK 23

1. PRICES AND PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE

The Contractor shall perform FOOD SERVICES WORK, including furnishing all labor, and services, for the Embassy of the United States (MANAGUA) Marine Security Guards (MSG).

Materials, and Equipment will be supplied by the Marine Security Guards.

The price listed below shall include all labor, insurance, overhead, and profit. The Government will pay the Contractor the fixed price per month for services. Food is purchased separately by Mess NCO (after approval of a 15-day menu) and maybe accompanied by the Contractor if needed.

After contract award and submission of acceptable insurance certificates, the Contracting Officer shall issue a Notice to Proceed. The Notice to Proceed will establish a date (a minimum of ten (10) days from start date listed in Notice to Proceed unless the Contractor agrees to an earlier date) on which performance shall start.

The performance period of this contract is from the start date in the Notice to Proceed (once the contractor is awarded) and continuing for 12 months, with two one-year options to renew. The initial period of performance includes any transition period authorized under the contract.

1.1. Value Added Tax

Value added Tax (VAT) is not applicable to this contract and shall not be included in the CLIN rates or invoices because the U.S. Embassy has a tax exemption certificate from the host government.

1.2. Base Year

A. Services. The firm fixed price for the Base Year of the contract is:

| Price per Month | Quantity of Months | Price per Year |
|---------------------------|--------------------|----------------|
| | 12 | |
| Total Price for Base Year | | |

1.3. Option Year 1 Prices (Option Term: Twelve (12) Months)

A. Services. The firm fixed price for Option Year 1 of the contract is:

| Price per Month | Quantity of Months | Price per Year |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|----------------|
| | 12 | |
| Total Price for Option Year 1 | | |

1.4. Option Year 2 Prices (Option Term: Twelve (12) Months)

A. Services. The firm fixed price for Option Year 2 of the contract is:

| Price per Month | Quantity of Months | Price per Year |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|----------------|
| | 12 | |
| Total Price for Option Year 2 | | |

1.5. Grand Total of Base and All Option Years

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| | |
| Base Year Total | |
| Option Year 1 Total | |
| Option Year 2 Total | |
| GRAND TOTAL- BASE AND ALL OPTION YEARS | |

CONTINUATION TO SF-1449,
RFQ NUMBER **19NU7022Q0002**
SCHEDULE OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES, BLOCK 20
DESCRIPTION/SPECIFICATIONS/WORK STATEMENT

2. SCOPE OF WORK

The purpose of this fixed price contract is to obtain food preparation services for U.S. Government (USG) at the Embassy of the United States in Managua, for Marine Security Guards (MSGs) at the Marine Security Guard Residence (MSGR).

The Contractor shall provide all management, supervision, administrative support, direct labor personnel, logistics, training, and transportation required to conduct food service operations.

Food services operations includes, but are not limited to:

- Menu Planning and Coordination
- Food Sourcing and Provisioning
- Food Preparation and Service
- Food Service Staffing
- Quality Management

2.1. Objectives

- Provide a proper skill mix, and experience of qualified personnel
- High Quality Food Operations, with minimal disruptions during transitions
- Control Cost of Food Services
- Provide effective internal controls and management oversight in support of effective organizational processes
- Demonstrate an innovative approach to food operations
- High level of customer satisfaction
- When required, assist the MSG Mess NCO in identifying high quality food for meal preparation

2.2. Location for Food Services

The Contractor shall provide all Dining services for the Marine Security Guard Residence (MSGR) located at Kilometer 5.5 Carretera Sur, Managua, Nicaragua. Contractor employees shall be on site only for contractual duties and not for other business purposes.

2.3. General Requirements

The Contractor shall implement a DOS-approved food services support program to standardize food operations, meet mission requirements, control costs and provide good service to the MSG Detachment. The Contractor's food services approach will incorporate change management to support an evolving DOS approved business plan to meet situational changes.

2.4. Specific Requirements

2.4.1. Quantities of Meals

The MSG detachment at US Embassy Managua consists of seven Marines, which would require the preparation of 21 meals per day more or less.

2.4.2. Working Hours

The working hours are Monday to Thursday from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm and Friday from 7:00 am to 4:00 pm, excluding weekends and official Nicaraguan holidays.

All services are to be delivered up to 260 days of the year, Monday to Friday, excluding weekends and official Nicaraguan holidays for 7 USG Marine security personnel in providing 6 meals option daily (2 breakfast options, 2 lunch options and 2 dinner options).

2.5. Daily Cooking Requirements (SEE ATTACHMENT 1)

2.6. Duties and Responsibilities for the contractor

2.6.1. General Instructions

The Contractor shall prepare General Instructions for the work force. The Contractor shall provide drafts to the Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) for review within thirty days after contract award. The Contracting Officer's Representative must approve these general instructions before issuance. The General Instructions shall emphasize security requirements so that accidental security violations do not occur. Certain personnel areas require an escort and can only be entered during scheduled times.

2.6.2. Schedule of Cooking and Serving Requirements

The Contractor shall schedule cooking and serving requirements to ensure that these are done in the order and time frame specified and they are to be performed on a daily basis Monday-Friday.

2.6.3. Schedules

Contractor shall clean kitchen, all dishes and appliances after each meal and causes minimal disruption to the normal operation of the facility. The COR shall determine the schedules presented which meet the needs of the individual facility.

2.6.4. Code, Regulations, Guidance and Standards

The Contractor shall follow all relevant applicable industry standards, codes, Government regulations, DOS guidance and written supplier's recommendations in executing the services of this contract.

The follow links are provided as a courtesy. The Government is not responsible for updating them:

- FDA Food Code - www.fda.gov/foodcode
- USDA Grades and Standards - <https://www.ams.usda.gov/grades-standards>
- CODEX Alimentarius - <http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/standards/en/>

2.6.5. Licensing, Laws, and Regulations

The Contractor will make certain that the proper host nation licensing and approvals are in place for employee(s) to be in full compliance with the laws and regulations. Contractor will be responsible for being familiar with host nation laws and possess demonstrated ability for obtaining all licenses, permits and other official requirements allowing for the purchase, cooking, and transportation of food items into the Marine Security Guard Residence (MSGR). The Contractor will make certain that the proper host nation licensing and approvals are in place for employee(s) to be in full compliance with the laws and regulations.

2.6.6. Local Purchasing trips

When requested by the MSG Mess Non-Commissioned Officer (NCO), the Contractor may be required to accompany the Mess NCO on local food purchasing trips.

3. MANAGEMENT AND SUPERVISION

3.1. Contractor Representative

The Contractor shall designate a representative who shall be responsible for supervision of the Contractor's workforce at all times. This supervisor shall be the focal point for the Contractor and shall be the point of contact with U.S. Government personnel. The supervisor shall have sufficient English language skill to be able to communicate with members of the U.S. Government staff.

3.2. Maintenance of Schedules

The Contractor shall maintain schedules. The schedules shall take into consideration the hours that the staff can effectively perform their services without placing a burden on the security personnel of the Post.

3.3. Responsibility for Quality Control

The Contractor shall be responsible for quality control. The Contractor shall perform inspection visits to the work site on a regular basis. The Contractor shall coordinate these visits with the COR. These visits shall be surprise inspections to those working on the contract.

3.4. Control of Overtime

The Contractor shall control overtime through efficient use of the work force. Individual work schedules shall not exceed 40 hours per week to preclude overtime being part of the services provided under the contract.

4. PERSONNEL

4.1. General

The Contractor shall maintain discipline at the site and shall take all reasonable precautions to prevent any unlawful, riotous or disorderly conduct by Contractor employees at the site. The Contractor shall preserve peace and protect persons and property on site.

The Government reserves the right to direct the Contractor to remove an employee from the worksite for failure to comply with the standards of conduct. The Contractor shall immediately replace such an employee to maintain continuity of services at no additional costs to the Government.

4.2. Standards of Conduct

The Contractor's employees shall comply with the following Standards of Conduct:

a) Uniform/Appropriate Attire and Personal Equipment.

The Contractor's employees shall wear clean, neat and complete uniforms/appropriate attire when on duty. All employees shall wear attire approved by the Contracting Officer's Representative (COR).

b) Neglect of duties shall not be condoned.

The Contractor shall enforce no sleeping while on duty, unreasonable delays or failures to carry out assigned tasks, conducting personal affairs during duty hours and refusing to render assistance or cooperate in upholding the integrity of the worksite security.

c) Disorderly conduct, use of abusive or offensive language, quarreling, intimidation by words, actions, or fighting shall not be condoned.

Also included is participation in disruptive activities, which interfere with normal and efficient Government operations.

d) Intoxicants and Narcotics.

The Contractor shall not allow its employees while on duty to possess, sell, consume, or be under the influence of intoxicants, drugs or substances that produce similar effects.

e) Criminal Actions.

Contractor employees may be subject to criminal actions as allowed by law in certain circumstances. These include but are not limited to the following actions:

- Falsification or unlawful concealment, removal, mutilation, or destruction of any official documents or records or concealment of material facts by willful omission from official documents or records;
- Unauthorized use of Government property, theft, vandalism, or immoral conduct;
- Unethical or improper use of official authority or credentials; security violations; or,
- Organizing or participating in gambling in any form.

f) Key Control.

The Contractor shall receive, secure, issue and account for any keys issued for access to buildings, offices, equipment, gates, etc., for the purposes of this contract. The Contractor shall not duplicate keys without the COR's approval. Where it is determined that the Contractor or its agents have duplicated a key without permission of the COR, the Contractor shall remove the individual(s) responsible from this contract. If the Contractor has lost any such keys, the Contractor shall immediately notify the COR. In either event, the Contractor shall reimburse the Government for the cost of rekeying that portion of the system.

4.3. Notice to the Government of Labor Disputes

The Contractor shall inform the COR of any actual or potential labor dispute that is delaying or threatening to delay the timely performance of this contract.

4.4. Personnel Security

After award of the contract, the Contractor shall provide the following list of data on each employee who will be working under the contract. The Contractor shall include a list of workers and supervisors assigned to this project. The Government will run background checks on these individuals. It is anticipated that security checks will take 30 days to perform.

For each individual the list shall include:

- Full Name
- Place and Date of Birth
- Current Address
- Identification number

The Government shall issue identity cards to Contractor personnel, after they are approved. Contractor personnel shall display identity card(s) on the uniform/attire at all times while providing services under this contract. These identity cards are the property

of the US Government. The Contractor is responsible for their return at the end of the contract, when an employee leaves Contractor service, or at the request of the Government. The Government reserves the right to deny access to U.S.-owned and U.S.-operated facilities to any individual.

4.5. Key Personnel

a) Position and Function

The key personnel specified in this contract are essential to work performance. The only position considered in this contract is the MSG Detachment Cook.

b) Minimum Qualifications MSG Detachment Cook

The MSG Detachment Cook is the culinary lead of the program and is responsible for the development of menus, food storage, and cleanliness of the MSGR kitchen and dining areas. The MSG Cook shall have a minimum of 3 years' experience managing food services operations demonstrating experience in premium level food and service execution.

Clearance Level: None

c) Substitutions

During the first 180 days of performance (after transition), the Contractor will make no substitutions of key personnel unless the substitution is required due to illness, death, or termination of employment. The Contractor will notify the Contracting Officer within 5 calendar days after the occurrence of any of these events.

d) Replacements

After the first 180 days of performance, the Contractor may substitute the key person if they determine that it is necessary. The Contractor will provide notice at least 45 days prior to diverting any of the specified individuals to other programs or contracts (or as soon as possible, if an individual must be replaced, for example, as a result of leaving the employ of the Contractor).

The Contractor will notify the CO and shall submit comprehensive justification for the diversion or replacement request (including proposed substitutions for key personnel) to permit evaluation by the Government of the impact on performance under this contract. The proposed substitute shall possess qualifications comparable to the original key person and meet the minimum standards set forth in the contract.

e) Written Approval and Consent

The Contractor shall not divert or otherwise replace any key personnel without the written consent of the CO. The Government will modify the contract to reflect any changes in key personnel.

f) Fit for Duty

All Food Service workers will be physically capable, certified communicable disease-free, and attired in clean clothing.

Although there is no uniform requirement, the Contractor shall ensure all employees arrive to work in clean and appropriate clothing. Clothing should help inspire a sense of pride, authority, and comradery among employees. The food service clothing shall be commensurate with a high-quality operation and communicate a positive first impression for guests. In addition to appearance the clothing shall take into consideration employee safety (non-slick shoes to prevent slipping, long sleeve chef coat to avoid burns, aprons, etc.)

g) Health Certifications

Health certifications shall be made by medical examination with exam documentation retained on file for DOS inspection.

h) Employee Safety Requirements

Contractor shall ensure that employees are supplied with and use proper safety personal protective equipment (PPE) such as aprons. Contractor employees will follow signed safety work procedures, which protect the Contractor employees and DOS personnel in proximity to work site.

5. MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT

The Contractor does not need to provide any additional cooking supplies to perform the work identified in this contract.

6. GOVERNMENT FURNISHED PROPERTY/EQUIPMENT

Government Furnished Property is detailed in Attachement 1.

6.1. No Additional Cost in Case of Not Using Government Furnished Property

The Contractor has the option to reject any or all Government furnished property or items however, if rejected, the Contractor shall provide all necessary property, equipment or items, adequate in quantity and suitable for the intended purpose, to perform all work and provide all services at no additional cost to the Government.

6.2. Responsibility of Contractor on Proper Use of Government Furnished Property

All Government furnished property or items are provided in an "as is" condition and shall be used only in connection with performance under this contract. The Contractor is responsible for the proper care, maintenance and use of Government property in its possession or control from time of receipt until properly relieved of responsibility in accordance with the terms of the contract. The Contractor shall pay all costs for repair or replacement of Government furnished property that is damaged or destroyed due to Contractor negligence.

6.3. Records and Reports in Reference to Use of Government Furnished Property

The Contractor shall maintain written records of work performed, and report the need for major repair, replacement and other work for Government property in its control.

The Contractor shall physically inventory all Government property in its possession. Physical inventories consist of sighting, tagging or marking, describing, recording, reporting and reconciling the property with written records. The Contractor shall conduct these physical inventories periodically, as directed by the COR, and at termination or completion of the contract.

7. INSURANCE

7.1. Types and Amounts of Insurance

The types and amounts of insurance are the minimums required by Local laws.

The Contractor is required to provide whatever insurance is legally necessary. The Contractor shall, at its own expense, provide and maintain this insurance during the entire performance period.

The Contractor shall obtain any other types of insurance required by local law or that are ordinarily or customarily obtained in the location of the work. The limit of such insurance shall be as provided by law or sufficient to meet normal and customary claims.

For those Contractor employees assigned to this contract who are either United States citizens or direct hire in the United States or its possessions, the Contractor shall provide workers' compensation insurance in accordance with FAR 52.228-3.

7.2. Responsibility for Personal Injuries or Damages

The Contractor agrees that the Government shall not be responsible for personal injuries or for damages to:

- any property of the Contractor,
- its officers,
- agents,
- servants,
- employees, or
- any other person

arising from an incident to the Contractor's performance of this contract. The Contractor shall hold harmless and indemnify the Government from any and all claims arising, except in the instance of gross negligence on the part of the Government.

7.3. Insurance for damage

The Contractor shall obtain adequate insurance for damage to, or theft of, materials and equipment in insurance coverage for loose transit to the site or in storage on or off the site.

7.4. Government as Additional Insured

The general liability policy required of the Contractor shall name "the United States of America, acting by and through the Department of State", as an additional insured with respect to operations performed under this contract.

7.5. Time for Submission of Evidence of Insurance

The Contractor shall provide evidence of the insurance required under this contract within ten (10) calendar days after contract award. The Government may rescind or terminate the contract if the Contractor fails to timely submit insurance certificates identified above.

8. LAWS AND REGULATIONS

Without additional expense to the Government, the Contractor shall comply with all laws, codes, ordinances, and regulations required to perform this work. In the event of a conflict among the contract and requirements of local law, the Contractor shall promptly advise the Contracting Officer of the conflict and of the Contractor's proposed course of action for resolution by the Contracting Officer.

The Contractor shall comply with all local labor laws, regulations, customs and practices pertaining to labor, safety, and similar matters, to the extent that such compliance is not inconsistent with the requirements of this contract.

9. TRANSITION PLAN

Within 10 days after contract award, the Contracting Officer may request that the Contractor develop a plan for preparing the Contractor to assume all responsibilities for cook services. The plan shall establish the projected period for completion of all clearances of Contractor personnel, and the projected start date for performance of all services required under this contract. The plan shall assign priority to the selection of all supervisors to be used under the contract.

10. DELIVERABLES

The following items shall be delivered under this contract:

| Point # | Description | Qty | Delivery To | Date |
|---------|-------------------------|-----|-------------|---|
| 2.6.1 | General Instructions | 1 | COR | 30 days after award |
| 2.6.3. | Schedules | 1 | COR | Weekly |
| 4.4. | List of Personnel | 1 | COR | 10 days after award |
| 7. | Evidence of Insurance | 1 | COR | 10 days after award |
| 8. | Licenses and Permits | 1 | COR | Date of award |
| 9. | Transition Plan | 1 | COR | 10 days after award |
| | Daily Headcount by Meal | | COR | Available daily, due monthly along with running annual to-date totals |
| | 15-Day Menu Plan | | COR | 1 week prior to start of new menu cycle |

| Point # | Description | Qty | Delivery To | Date |
|---------|---|-----|-------------|---|
| | Menu Adjustments | | COR | 1 week in advance of change |
| | Menu Acceptability and Waste Report | 1 | COR | Monthly |
| | Menu Metrics | 1 | COR | Monthly |
| | Hazard Analysis and Critical Point (HACCP) Plan | 1 | COR | Prior to start of performance |
| | Illness Reports | | COR | Provide as part of the Program Management and QA Reviews |
| | Food Storage Catalogue | 1 | COR | Prior to start of Option Year, updated when new items are developed |
| | Food Storage Catalogue proposed changes | | COR | Provide proposed change to COR for review and approval prior to formalization of change |
| | Reporting Plan | 1 | COR | Start of performance |
| | Risk Management Plan (Risk management and mitigation-quality control & assurance, etc.) | 1 | COR | Provide as part of proposal response and updated/maintained throughout performance |
| | Quality Control Plan | 1 | COR | Prior to Start of Performance and each Option Year |
| | Food concession, food, and water inspection SOPs | 1 | COR | Within first 30 days |
| | Quality Control Reports | 1 | COR | Monthly |
| | Vulnerability Assessment | 1 | COR | Monthly |
| | KPI Reporting | 1 | COR | Monthly to COR to CO |
| | Food Service Operation Uniform plan | 1 | COR | Within first 30 days |
| | Health, Safety and Environment Plan | 1 | COR | Within first 30 days |

11. QUALITY CONTROL MANAGEMENT, QUALITY ASSURANCE AND SURVEILLANCE PLAN (QASP)

The Contractor, prior to implementation, shall provide for DOS approval a Quality Control Plan, that will include food service performance standards, metrics, and reporting required for quality control. This plan shall define the contractor's approach to Quality Assurance/Quality Control on the contract. It shall provide an overview of the contractor's approach to the planning, organization, direction, and control of quality-related activities associated with the delivery and performance of products and services.

Contractor shall specifically provide oversight to all food inspection activities while working within the requirements set forth by food service standards and regulations, the DOS Regional

Medical Officer (RMO) and DOS Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) in completing the following duties:

- Food Handling Procedure
- Adherence to HACCP
- Menu Execution and Presentation
- MSGR kitchen inspections
- Food Storage inspections

11.1. Food Inspection Resources

The Contractor shall provide resources to perform food procurement, food handler training, public and food facility inspections, vulnerability assessments and QA/QC monthly reports for the MSGR kitchen and dining areas. These requirements shall meet or exceed established FDA, USDA requirements.

MSGR kitchens shall be inspected on a routine basis or as determined by the individual sanitation history and the potential risk associated with the number of personnel eating at a single site.

The Contractor's Food Service employees shall receive periodic refresher training and a medical records review of new employees.

The Contractor's food service employees shall be medically cleared prior to returning to work after receiving medical care.

11.2. Medical Evaluation of Food Service Employees

The Contractor's Food Service personnel who seek medical treatment must be medically cleared prior to returning to work.

In the event there is a communicable disease, appropriate health recommendations shall be elevated to DOS onsite supervisors and the facility manager.

11.3. Standard Operating Procedures (SOP)

The Contractor will develop MSG kitchen usage food, and water inspection SOPs and, upon COR approval of the SOPs, apply the SOPs during periodic site inspections.

The contractor shall provide monthly quality control reports and perform overall trending by facility and contractor to the DOSDOS COR.

All phases of food service operations shall be evaluated against contractual requirements. Provide monthly reports on QA/QC, inspection findings and notification to DOS when follow-up action is needed, or a health hazard is identified during data analysis.

11.4. Reporting Plan

a) Performance Data System

The Contractor will keep DOS informed of performance through deliverables, reports, and regular meetings with DOS representatives. The contractor shall capture and record resource changes against contract requirements to track schedules. Contractor shall also monitor resource allocation and performance data to determine whether sufficient resources are applied to required tasks, or whether reductions in work warrant corresponding reductions in staff. Analysis of labor, material, and equipment

expenditures to work order and job code levels enables the COR and Program manager to track key data to verify that requirements are met to cost and schedule, and to identify and correct variances. The Contractor shall coordinate with the COR to enforce project controls at the site level. The Contractor's systems should be flexible, scalable, and adaptable to each requirement offering DOS real-time performance data upon request with minimal risk of information exposure.

b) Business Systems

The Contractor's business systems shall provide the support structure needed to input and track data for Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) and performance management; personnel management; contract management; and to share deliverables and reports upon request.

The Contractor shall enhance program consistency, transparency, and accountability by maintaining detailed, Government-recognized processes and procedures for all MSG Detachment Cook duties.

These systems shall interface and feed information into a program management information system to provide near real-time reporting of performance status through a secure web-based portal/dashboard.

This portal integrates programs, systems, and plans, and consolidates recruiting information, personnel management data, time and labor tracking, cost, and performance data by scheduled value. It shall provide a reporting mechanism to produce required deliverables, personnel manning information, and employee performance report status.

The Contractor shall collaborate with DOS and identify specific needs from requirements regarding the appropriate structuring and information needed for reporting. Contractor reports are directly related to an approved invoice system and human resource management system.

During performance, Contractor shall document work progress against the schedule.

The Contractor shall measure performance against planned tasks weekly and monthly and develop a series of schedule performance metrics. The Contractor shall submit reports via electronic messaging to the COR, followed by hard copies as requested.

11.5. Quality Control Plan

This plan provides an effective method to promote satisfactory contractor performance. The QASP provides a method for the Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) to monitor Contractor performance, advise the Contractor of unsatisfactory performance, and notify the Contracting Officer of continued unsatisfactory performance.

The Contractor, not the Government, is responsible for management and quality control to meet the terms of the contract. The role of the Government is to monitor quality to ensure that contract standards are achieved.

| Performance Objective | Scope of Work Paragraphs | Performance Threshold |
|---|--------------------------|--|
| <u>Services.</u> Performs all services set forth in the scope of work. | Subsections 2.1 to 2.6 | All required services are performed and no more than one (1) customer complaint is received per month. [(2) All required services are 90% adherence to ServSafe quality standards |

a) Surveillance

The COR will receive and document all complaints from Government personnel regarding the services provided. If appropriate, the COR will send the complaints to the Contractor for corrective action.

b) Standard

The performance standard is that the Government receives no more than one (1) customer complaint per month. The COR shall notify the Contracting Officer of the complaints so that the Contracting Officer may take appropriate action to enforce the inspection clause (FAR 52.212-4, Contract Terms and Conditions-Commercial Items), if any of the services exceed the standard

c) Procedures

- i. If any Government personnel observe unacceptable services, either incomplete work or required services not being performed they should immediately contact the COR.
- ii. The COR will complete appropriate documentation to record the complaint.
- iii. If the COR determines the complaint is invalid, the COR will advise the complainant. The COR will retain the annotated copy of the written complaint for his/her files.
- iv. If the COR determines the complaint is valid, the COR will inform the Contractor and give the Contractor additional time to correct the defect, if additional time is available. The COR shall determine how much time is reasonable.
- v. The COR shall, as a minimum, orally notify the Contractor of any valid complaints.
- vi. If the Contractor disagrees with the complaint after investigation of the site and challenges the validity of the complaint, the Contractor will notify the COR. The COR will review the matter to determine the validity of the complaint.
- vii. The COR will consider complaints as resolved unless notified otherwise by the complainant.
- viii. Repeat customer complaints are not permitted for any services. If a repeat customer complaint is received for the same deficiency during the service period, the COR will contact the Contracting Officer for appropriate action under the Inspection clause.

ATTACHMENT 1
DESCRIPTION/SPECIFICATIONS/PERFORMANCE WORK STATEMENT

2.7.Daily Cooking Requirements

2.7.1. Hours of Operation (Schedule)

Hours of operation will follow the DOS established hours for food service operations.

Kitchen Services

| Location / Facility | Estimated Service | Scheduled Hours | Escort Required? |
|---------------------|-------------------|--|------------------|
| MSGR | Seven | Breakfast: 9:00-10:00 am Lunch: 12:00 to 1:00 pm. Dinner: The Contractor is responsible for preparing meal for dinner, but not serving it. | Not Required |

2.5.2. Food Service Operations

A) Concept of Operations

Food is an important morale factor, as are the health priorities of a good diet. A successful food operation will be one that continuously pleases the diners; offers a wide variety of food choices; accommodates different dietary needs and desires based upon personal choice, ethnic experience and religious restrictions; is environmentally sustainable, exceeds goals, generates useful metrics and provides excellent service in all areas.

Food is a “high risk” area. It can negatively affect health, adversely affect morale, be impacted by political and economic events, and be a source for fraud, waste and abuse. The planning and resourcing that will go into this effort cannot be changed quickly. Overseas, the options are severely limited, and resources are few. The contractor shall provide an approach that measures performance and capitalizes on success while planning to mitigate such risk factors.

In order to normalize food operations, the Contractor shall have an ultimate goal of achieving a system that is: efficient; reduces waste; provides sufficient variety allowing the diner to make choices based on nutrition and variety; and is a pleasant experience overall.

The Contractor shall make use of local supplies for common and available items, local, regional, and international dishes while utilizing international sources for main entrée items, as well as favorites (USA brand items). Planning for the menu should account for available provisions.

The Contractor will staff and supply meals in accordance with meal hours and meal service specified in Section 1, 1.2. Locations, and 1.5.1. Hours of Operation.

B) Menu

The MSGR patrons are a diverse group: Americans who have traveled extensively and been exposed to many cultures as well as those who prefer their own regional cuisines in the U.S.; and individuals who have dietary restrictions for health, cultural or religious reasons.

The Contractor will develop a 20-day menu cycle, offering a variety of food selections for each meal and on a weekly basis, based upon acceptability ratings, availability of food items, and food preparation limitations, as well as cost of operations.

The menu shall consist of a variety of quality prepared foods that meet business and industry standards, complying with the current and subsequent revisions of Dietary Guidelines for Americans (www.health.gov) offering menu alternatives that are low in total fat, saturated fat, cholesterol, sodium and sugar; no trans fats; lean meats; low-fat dairy products; a variety of vegetables, fruits and grain products; and vegetarian selections. The quality and appearance of the food shall be consistent with approved food service industry standards for comparable “business and industry” dining facilities.

The menu should incorporate local/regional cuisine, American and international dishes. There should be at least one healthy option with each meal. A wide selection of beverages, hot and cold and appropriate to the meal, should be available. Full use of leftovers can also extend the selection if items are stored and labeled in accordance with food safety standards.

Special meals (e.g. Mexican night, Italian supper, Asian stir-fry luncheon) are also possible introductions. A suitable selection for any identified vegetarian diners shall be on the menu daily as well.

Trying to please everyone all the time is labor intensive, expensive, and a near impossible task. But making the small steps will be appreciated.

i. Menu Planning

The Contractor shall establish 20-day menus that reflect meals variety consistent with the varied cultural, religious, and health dietary requirements of the MSGs. Menu items shall be fresh, prepared onsite, healthy, modern and authentic to the maximum extent practicable.

Contractor shall utilize accepted cooking standards for food preparation and develop program specific standards to ensure consistency in preparation across the program.

Contractor shall develop standards or recipe cards for items determined to be customer favorites. Cooking standards and recipes shall be available to the COR and included as part of program quality assurance program.

ii. Menu Adjustments

The Contractor will submit adjustments to the menus to the COR one week in advance, in writing for approval.

C) Establishment of Facilities

The Contractor shall establish food service operations located within the MSGR. Offeror/Contractor shall coordinate with the COR on any additional equipment needs that are identified during the solicitation process.

Patrons may be expected to clean up after the meal by taking their dinnerware and trash to a designated site for turn-in and/or disposal. However, the Contractor is responsible for cleanliness services at the MSGR. The designated site shall accommodate efforts to recycle plastics, glass, and paper apart from compostable food waste.

D) Standards of Service

Contractor shall maintain a standard of service equal to or better than quality commercial food service operations found on university campuses, finer hotels and resorts.

i. Preparation

Contractor shall utilize the appropriate industry preparation standards for the all food products and menu items. Contractor shall ensure all food is not overcooked or undercooked, over seasoned or under seasoned.

ii. Presentation

Food will not only be delicious, but well presented, readily replenished, and served at the right temperature for food safety requirements as well as patron expectations. Contractor shall use fresh ingredients to the maximum extent possible and use varying colors and arrangement that are pleasing to the eye. Serving areas, equipment, pans and serving bowls shall be clean, well-lit and free of drips and food particles. Serving utensils shall be replaced regularly throughout service to reduce cross contamination and provide a clean appearance.

iii. Customer Service

The Contractor's food service worker(s) will be knowledgeable, provide excellent customer service, be pleasant, and achieve compliance with U.S. food worker health standards. Staff shall greet customers with a smile and appropriate greeting. Staff shall be polite and address all customers with respect. Staff shall look to assist guests to the maximum extent practical.

E) Cleanliness

As part of the operation of the MSGR kitchen, the Contractor shall provide cleaning services. These services shall be performed in accordance with standard commercial cleaning practices. The MSGR kitchen and dining areas require regular cleaning of all visible dust, grease, dirt, soil, scuff marks, and debris from surfaces, fixtures, tables, walls, floors and carpets due to regular traffic. Additional standard cleaning services include, but are not limited to, the following: table bussing/cleaning during food service operations, sweeping, mopping, trash removal, washing kitchen/dining windows, disinfecting, cleaning entryways and mats, and basic metal polishing.

All indoor and outdoor kitchen/cafeteria spaces will be kept clean and sanitized to the highest U.S. standards.

F) Green Program and Waste Minimization

The Contractor shall utilize environmentally friendly cleaning products to the maximum extent practicable. The Contractor will demonstrate waste minimization through establishing historical usage, accurate forecasting, progressive cooking, and tracking of waste to continuously improve performance.

The Contractor will participate in “Sustainability Programs” that may include: disposable bulk purchasing program, organic food products, organic or environmentally friendly cleaning products, reusable items, marketing programs, minimizing waste stream, energy and water saving programs (equipment, food preparation, etc.) and other “green” programs that will benefit the patrons, the workers, DOS and the host nation.

Contractor shall work to reduce and replace the use of disposable dining ware through expansion of dishwashing operations to the maximum extent practical.

G) Food Worker Health, Sanitation, and Hygiene

i. FDA and USDA Service Guidelines

The Contractor will follow current Food Service Sanitation and Public Health Service standards, and FDA and USDA food service guidelines, codes, and regulations. The contractor will monitor host nation evolution to World Health Organization (WHO) guidelines, including Codex Alimentarius, and incorporate WHO guidelines into its approach as appropriate.

ii. Health and Sanitation Inspections

The Contractor will maintain and retain reports on health and sanitation inspections.

iii. Food Service Management

The Contractor will train food service management and service staff in National Restaurant Association ServSafe food handling procedures.

iv. Food-Handling Awareness

The Contractor will provide periodic health, sanitation, and hygiene training to address food handling awareness and sanitation processes.

v. Fit for Duty

All Food Service workers will be physically capable, certified communicable disease-free, and attired in clean clothing.

vi. Health Certifications

Health certifications shall be made by medical examination with exam documentation retained on file for DOS inspection.

H) Food Handling and Safety

Food standards will be in accordance with the World Trade Organization recognized Codex Alimentarius.

The Codex Alimentarius is an international reference point for the resolution of disputes concerning food safety and consumer protection.

i. General Standards – Safety

As part of the Program Management Plan, the Contractor shall establish a Food Service Safety Program. The Contractor's Food Service workers will employ appropriate safety gear in the course of their work. The Contractor's Safety Program shall include documented training and refresher courses for all personnel, evidence of which will be provided to the Government upon request. Language accommodation for LNs may be required. The Contractor shall investigate, and record events involving personal injury or significant damage to DOS facilities and report these events to the COR. To prevent future incidents, the Contractor will verify Safety Program reports are part of Program and Quality Assurance (QA) reviews.

I) Food Service Management System and Controls

i. Food Service Management System

The Contractor will implement and/or maintain a Food Service Manage System for maintaining accountability and limiting access to authorized patrons. With tracking and database tools for the Contractor's program office, and storage facilities, the system will be a flexible and transparent inventory management solution. The system will enable the Contractor to monitor inventory levels, streamline purchasing, develop menus, standardize recipes, analyze data, and accurately report on a wide range of food service activities and metrics.

ii. Access Control

The Contractor shall implement planning and access controls to ensure only authorized guests are able to access the MSGR.

iii. Fraud, Waste, and Abuse

The Contractor will have procedures, processes, and systems in place to detect and eliminate fraud, waste, and abuse.

2.5.3. Food Provisioning and Storage

Contractor shall provide all oversight, labor, materials, equipment, insurance and overhead to provide food provisions and storage services required to operate the MSGR kitchen.

A) Food Quality Standards

The quality of product shall be equivalent to standards established by USDA Agriculture Marketing Service Grades and Standards (<https://www.ams.usda.gov/grades-standards>), or better.

B) U.S. and Familiar Brands

Patrons are American citizens that associate certain name brand products to high quality. Local products may be submitted, with approval for "equal".

C) Supply Chain Management

i. Best Value:

Sources should be procured wherever possible to ensure highest quality and best value.

ii. Receipt of Supplies:

The Contractor may be required to accompany the Mess NCO on local food purchasing trips. These items will be received and stored in the appropriate areas within the MSGR.

iii. Supply Rotation:

All products in storage shall be dated and rotated for first-in, first-out distribution.

Supplies required include:

- Food: Food (perishable and non-perishable).
- Beverages: Beverages to include all bottled water, milk, carbonated beverages, juices, coffee, and tea.
- Frozen foods: The Contractor will maintain a minimum of 30-day supply of frozen, canned, and/or dry foods at all times.

iv. Emergency Food Supply Plan

The Contractor will provide and shall update the incorporated emergency supply management plan as needed, or upon request from the Government.

v. Prevent Spoilage

The Contractor's Food Service Managers and Supervisors will follow USDA, HHS, and PHS published guidelines for procedures and processes to prevent spoilage. They shall consider regular inventory inspection, temperature rotations, the practice of first-in, first-out (FIFO), increased physical security for inventory, and selective or exclusive inventory access limitation.

D) Supplies, Utensils, Dishware and Consumables

The USG will provide sufficient supplies, utensils, dishware and consumables to support the MSGR food service operations, with sufficient inventory to maintain operation for up to 30 days without re-stock. If levels fall below those required, the contractor must notify USG within 30 days so that no lapse in supplies/consumables will occur.

i. Supplies

Supplies include food supplies associated consumables (e.g. napkins, paper plates, plastic utensils, to-go boxes, etc.).

ii. Utensils

Utensils include metal cutlery, serving spoons, pots, pans, kitchen crockery and cooking vessels.

iii. Dining Ware

Dining ware, to include plates, bowls, glasses, and mugs.

2.5.4. Equipment and Facilities

The Contractor will operate fully furnished MSGR kitchens provided by the USG. The Contractor will be provided Government Furnished Equipment (GFE) that is up-to-date and fully maintained.

Contractor shall conduct a thorough assessment of all existing MSGR kitchens, and food service management equipment and ensure adequate supply of replacement equipment and parts are available for continuous operation.

Offeror shall propose an estimated list of required additional equipment to the Government for purchase within proposal, if required.

Maintenance Plan:

The Embassy Operations & Maintenance contract (i.e. a separate contract) is responsible for the maintenance and repair of all MSGR kitchens (structure, electrical, plumbing, etc.) and its installed equipment (hoods, stoves, ovens, dishwashers, etc.). The Contractor will establish a plan for use, and inventory of all property, equipment, and materials used in contract performance. Procedures shall verify that property, equipment, and materials are used solely for purposes authorized in the contract.

ATTACHMENT 2
GOVERNMENT FURNISHED PROPERTY

The Government shall make the following property available to the Contractor as "Government furnished property" under the contract:

The Contractor is responsible for informing the COR, in writing, of GFE malfunctions within 24 hours of the occurrence.

The Government will provide available equipment spares.

| Item | Description | Qty |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----|
| APPLIANCES | | |
| 1 | White Fridge 70 x 32 23 in depth | 1 |
| 2 | White Fridge 70 x 32 23 in depth | 1 |
| 3 | Grey Fridge 77 ½ x 78 25 in depth | 1 |
| 4 | Stove 33 x 31 ½ | 1 |
| 5 | Microwave | 1 |
| 6 | Toaster x2 | 1 |
| 7 | Rice cooker | 1 |
| 8 | Slow cooker | 1 |
| 9 | Blender | 1 |
| 10 | Fruit Blender | 1 |
| | | |
| COOKWARE AND COOKING UTENSILS | | |
| 11 | Pans | 18 |
| 12 | Pots | 5 |
| 13 | Tupper Ware | 32 |
| 14 | Forks 18 | 18 |
| 15 | Spoons 16 | 16 |
| 16 | Knives 29 | 19 |
| | | |
| DISHES / GLASSES AND CUPS | | |
| 17 | Plates | 13 |
| 18 | Cups | 51 |
| | | |

SECTION 2 - CONTRACT CLAUSES

FAR 52.212-4 Contract Terms and Conditions – Commercial Items (OCT 2018) and (Deviation 2017-02) (JUNE 2017), is incorporated by reference (see SF-1449, Block 27A)

52.212-5 Contract Terms and Conditions Required to Implement Statutes or Executive Orders - Commercial Items.

As prescribed in 12.301(b)(4), insert the following clause:

Contract Terms and Conditions Required to Implement Statutes or Executive Orders-Commercial Items (Oct 2020)

(a) The Contractor shall comply with the following Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) clauses, which are incorporated in this contract by reference, to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items:

- (1) 52.203-19, Prohibition on Requiring Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements (Jan 2017) (section 743 of Division E, Title VII, of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235) and its successor provisions in subsequent appropriations acts (and as extended in continuing resolutions)).
- (2) 52.204-23, Prohibition on Contracting for Hardware, Software, and Services Developed or Provided by Kaspersky Lab and Other Covered Entities (Jul 2018) (Section 1634 of Pub. L. 115-91).
- (3) 52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment. (Aug 2020) (Section 889(a)(1)(A) of Pub. L. 115-232).
- (4) 52.209-10, Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations (Nov 2015).
- (5) 52.233-3, Protest After Award (Aug 1996) (31 U.S.C. 3553).
- (6) 52.233-4, Applicable Law for Breach of Contract Claim (Oct 2004) (Public Laws 108-77 and 108-78 (19 U.S.C. 3805 note)).

(b) The Contractor shall comply with the FAR clauses in this paragraph (b) that the Contracting Officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items:
[Contracting Officer check as appropriate.]

- (1) ___ 52.203-6, Restrictions on Subcontractor Sales to the Government (June 2020), with Alternate I (Oct 1995) (41 U.S.C. 4704 and 10 U.S.C. 2402).
- (2) ___ 52.203-13, Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (Jun 2020) (41 U.S.C. 3509)).
- (3) ___ 52.203-15, Whistleblower Protections under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Jun 2010) (Section 1553 of Pub. L. 111-5). (Applies to contracts funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.)
- (4) X 52.204-10, Reporting Executive Compensation and First-Tier Subcontract Awards (Jun 2020) (Pub. L. 109-282) (31 U.S.C. 6101 note).
- (5) ___ [Reserved].

- (6) __ 52.204-14, Service Contract Reporting Requirements (Oct 2016) (Pub. L. 111-117, section 743 of Div. C).
- (7) __ 52.204-15, Service Contract Reporting Requirements for Indefinite-Delivery Contracts (Oct 2016) (Pub. L. 111-117, section 743 of Div. C).
- (8) **X** 52.209-6, Protecting the Government's Interest When Subcontracting with Contractors Debarred, Suspended, or Proposed for Debarment. (Jun 2020) (31 U.S.C. 6101 note)
- (9) __ 52.209-9, Updates of Publicly Available Information Regarding Responsibility Matters (Oct 2018) (41 U.S.C. 2313).
- (10) __ [Reserved].
- (11) __ (i) 52.219-3, Notice of HUBZone Set-Aside or Sole-Source Award (Mar 2020) (15 U.S.C. 657a).
__ (ii) Alternate I (Mar 2020) of 52.219-3.
- (12) __ (i) 52.219-4, Notice of Price Evaluation Preference for HUBZone Small Business Concerns (Mar 2020) (if the offeror elects to waive the preference, it shall so indicate in its offer) (15 U.S.C. 657a).
__ (ii) Alternate I (Mar 2020) of 52.219-4.
- (13) __ [Reserved]
- (14) __ (i) 52.219-6, Notice of Total Small Business Set-Aside (Mar 2020)(15 U.S.C. 644).
__ (ii) Alternate I (Mar 2020) of 52.219-6.
- (15) __ (i) 52.219-7, Notice of Partial Small Business Set-Aside (Mar 2020)(15 U.S.C. 644).
__ (ii) Alternate I (Mar 2020) of 52.219-7.
- (16) __ 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (Oct 2018) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2) and (3)).
- (17) __ (i) 52.219-9, Small Business Subcontracting Plan (Jun 2020) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(4)).
__ (ii) Alternate I (Nov 2016) of 52.219-9.
__ (iii) Alternate II (Nov 2016) of 52.219-9.
__ (iv) Alternate III (Jun 2020) of 52.219-9.
__ (v) Alternate IV (Jun 2020) of 52.219-9
- (18) __ (i) 52.219-13, Notice of Set-Aside of Orders (Mar 2020)(15 U.S.C. 644(r)).
(ii) Alternate I (Mar 2020) of 52.219-13.
- (19) __ 52.219-14, Limitations on Subcontracting (Mar 2020) (15 U.S.C. 637(a)(14)).
- (20) __ 52.219-16, Liquidated Damages-Subcontracting Plan (Jan 1999) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(4)(F)(i)).
- (21) __ 52.219-27, Notice of Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Set-Aside (Mar 2020) (15 U.S.C. 657f).
- (22) __ (i) 52.219-28, Post Award Small Business Program Rerepresentation (May 2020) (15 U.S.C. 632(a)(2)).
__ (ii) Alternate I (MAR 2020) of 52.219-28.

- (23) __ 52.219-29, Notice of Set-Aside for, or Sole Source Award to, Economically Disadvantaged Women-Owned Small Business Concerns (Mar 2020) (15 U.S.C. 637(m)).
- (24) __ 52.219-30, Notice of Set-Aside for, or Sole Source Award to, Women-Owned Small Business Concerns Eligible Under the Women-Owned Small Business Program (Mar2020) (15 U.S.C. 637(m)).
- (25) __ 52.219-32, Orders Issued Directly Under Small Business Reserves (Mar 2020) (15 U.S.C. 644(r)).
- (26) __ 52.219-33, Nonmanufacturer Rule (Mar 2020) (15U.S.C. 637(a)(17)).
- (27) __ 52.222-3, Convict Labor (Jun 2003) (E.O.11755).
- (28) X 52.222-19, Child Labor-Cooperation with Authorities and Remedies (Jan2020) (E.O.13126).
- (29) __ 52.222-21, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (Apr 2015).
- (30) __ (i) 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (Sep 2016) (E.O.11246).
__ (ii) Alternate I (Feb 1999) of 52.222-26.
- (31) __ (i) 52.222-35, Equal Opportunity for Veterans (Jun 2020) (38 U.S.C. 4212).
__ (ii) Alternate I (Jul 2014) of 52.222-35.
- (32) __ (i) 52.222-36, Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities (Jun 2020) (29 U.S.C. 793).
__ (ii) Alternate I (Jul 2014) of 52.222-36.
- (33) X 52.222-37, Employment Reports on Veterans (Jun 2020) (38 U.S.C. 4212).
- (34) __ 52.222-40, Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (Dec 2010) (E.O. 13496).
- (35) X (i) 52.222-50, Combating Trafficking in Persons (Oct 2020) (22 U.S.C. chapter 78 and E.O. 13627).
__ (ii) Alternate I (Mar 2015) of 52.222-50 (22 U.S.C. chapter 78 and E.O. 13627).
- (36) __ 52.222-54, Employment Eligibility Verification (Oct 2015). (Executive Order 12989). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items or certain other types of commercial items as prescribed in 22.1803.)
- (37) __ (i) 52.223-9, Estimate of Percentage of Recovered Material Content for EPA–Designated Items (May 2008) (42 U.S.C. 6962(c)(3)(A)(ii)). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items.)
__ (ii) Alternate I (May 2008) of 52.223-9 (42 U.S.C. 6962(i)(2)(C)). (Not applicable to the acquisition of commercially available off-the-shelf items.)
- (38) __ 52.223-11, Ozone-Depleting Substances and High Global Warming Potential Hydrofluorocarbons (Jun 2016) (E.O. 13693).

- (39) __ 52.223-12, Maintenance, Service, Repair, or Disposal of Refrigeration Equipment and Air Conditioners (Jun 2016) (E.O. 13693).
- (40) __ (i) 52.223-13, Acquisition of EPEAT®-Registered Imaging Equipment (Jun 2014) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514).
__ (ii) Alternate I (Oct 2015) of 52.223-13.
- (41) __ (i) 52.223-14, Acquisition of EPEAT®-Registered Televisions (Jun 2014) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514).
__ (ii) Alternate I (Jun2014) of 52.223-14.
- (42) __ 52.223-15, Energy Efficiency in Energy-Consuming Products (May 2020) (42 U.S.C. 8259b).
- (43) __ (i) 52.223-16, Acquisition of EPEAT®-Registered Personal Computer Products (Oct 2015) (E.O.s 13423 and 13514).
__ (ii) Alternate I (Jun 2014) of 52.223-16.
- (44) X 52.223-18, Encouraging Contractor Policies to Ban Text Messaging While Driving (Jun 2020) (E.O. 13513).
- (45) __ 52.223-20, Aerosols (Jun 2016) (E.O. 13693).
- (46) __ 52.223-21, Foams (Jun2016) (E.O. 13693).
- (47) __ (i) 52.224-3 Privacy Training (Jan 2017) (5 U.S.C. 552 a).
__ (ii) Alternate I (Jan 2017) of 52.224-3.
- (48) __ 52.225-1, Buy American-Supplies (May 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 83).
- (49) __ (i) 52.225-3, Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act (May 2014) (41 U.S.C.chapter83, 19 U.S.C. 3301 note, 19 U.S.C. 2112 note, 19 U.S.C. 3805 note, 19 U.S.C. 4001 note, Pub. L. 103-182, 108-77, 108-78, 108-286, 108-302, 109-53, 109-169, 109-283, 110-138, 112-41, 112-42, and 112-43).
__ (ii) Alternate I (May 2014) of 52.225-3.
__ (iii) Alternate II (May 2014) of 52.225-3.
__ (iv) Alternate III (May 2014) of 52.225-3.
- (50) __ 52.225-5, Trade Agreements (Oct 2019) (19 U.S.C. 2501, et seq., 19 U.S.C. 3301 note).
- (51) X 52.225-13, Restrictions on Certain Foreign Purchases (Jun 2008) (E.O.'s, proclamations, and statutes administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the Department of the Treasury).
- (52) __ 52.225-26, Contractors Performing Private Security Functions Outside the United States (Oct 2016) (Section 862, as amended, of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008; 10 U.S.C. 2302Note).
- (53) X 52.226-4, Notice of Disaster or Emergency Area Set-Aside (Nov2007) (42 U.S.C. 5150).

- (54) X 52.226-5, Restrictions on Subcontracting Outside Disaster or Emergency Area (Nov2007) (42 U.S.C. 5150).
- (55) 52.229-12, Tax on Certain Foreign Procurements (Jun 2020).
- (56) X 52.232-29, Terms for Financing of Purchases of Commercial Items (Feb 2002) (41 U.S.C. 4505, 10 U.S.C. 2307(f)).
- (57) 52.232-30, Installment Payments for Commercial Items (Jan2017) (41 U.S.C. 4505, 10 U.S.C. 2307(f)).
- (58) X 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer-System for Award Management (Oct 2018) (31 U.S.C. 3332).
- (59) X 52.232-34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer-Other than System for Award Management (Jul 2013) (31 U.S.C. 3332).
- (60) 52.232-36, Payment by Third Party (May 2014) (31 U.S.C. 3332).
- (61) 52.239-1, Privacy or Security Safeguards (Aug 1996)(5 U.S.C. 552a).
- (62) 52.242-5, Payments to Small Business Subcontractors (Jan 2017) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(13)).
- (63) (i) 52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (Feb 2006)(46 U.S.C. Appx. 1241(b)and 10 U.S.C. 2631).
 (ii) Alternate I (Apr 2003) of 52.247-64.
 (iii)Alternate II (Feb 2006) of 52.247-64.

(c) The Contractor shall comply with the FAR clauses in this paragraph (c), applicable to commercial services, that the Contracting Officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or Executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items:

- (1) 52.222-41, Service Contract Labor Standards (Aug 2018) (41 U.S.C. chapter67).
- (2) 52.222-42, Statement of Equivalent Rates for Federal Hires (May 2014) (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- (3) 52.222-43, Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Labor Standards-Price Adjustment (Multiple Year and Option Contracts) (Aug 2018) (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- (4) 52.222-44, Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Labor Standards-Price Adjustment (May 2014) (29U.S.C.206 and 41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- (5) 52.222-51, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment-Requirements (May 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- (6) 52.222-53, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Certain Services-Requirements (May 2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
- (7) 52.222-55, Minimum Wages Under Executive Order 13658 (Dec 2015).
- (8) 52.222-62, Paid Sick Leave Under Executive Order 13706 (Jan 2017) (E.O. 13706).

- (9) — 52.226-6, Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations (Jun 2020)
(42 U.S.C. 1792).

(d) Comptroller General Examination of Record. The Contractor shall comply with the provisions of this paragraph (d) if this contract was awarded using other than sealed bid, is in excess of the simplified acquisition threshold, as defined in FAR 2.101, on the date of award of this contract, and does not contain the clause at 52.215-2, Audit and Records-Negotiation.

- (1) The Comptroller General of the United States, or an authorized representative of the Comptroller General, shall have access to and right to examine any of the Contractor's directly pertinent records involving transactions related to this contract.
- (2) The Contractor shall make available at its offices at all reasonable times the records, materials, and other evidence for examination, audit, or reproduction, until 3 years after final payment under this contract or for any shorter period specified in FAR subpart 4.7, Contractor Records Retention, of the other clauses of this contract. If this contract is completely or partially terminated, the records relating to the work terminated shall be made available for 3 years after any resulting final termination settlement. Records relating to appeals under the disputes clause or to litigation or the settlement of claims arising under or relating to this contract shall be made available until such appeals, litigation, or claims are finally resolved.
- (3) As used in this clause, records include books, documents, accounting procedures and practices, and other data, regardless of type and regardless of form. This does not require the Contractor to create or maintain any record that the Contractor does not maintain in the ordinary course of business or pursuant to a provision of law.

(e)

- (1) Notwithstanding the requirements of the clauses in paragraphs (a), (b), (c), and (d) of this clause, the Contractor is not required to flow down any FAR clause, other than those in this paragraph (e)(1) in a subcontract for commercial items. Unless otherwise indicated below, the extent of the flow down shall be as required by the clause-

- (i) 52.203-13, Contractor Code of Business Ethics and Conduct (Jun 2020)
(41 U.S.C. 3509).
- (ii) 52.203-19, Prohibition on Requiring Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements or Statements (Jan 2017) (section 743 of Division E, Title VII, of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235) and its successor provisions in subsequent appropriations acts (and as extended in continuing resolutions)).
- (iii) 52.204-23, Prohibition on Contracting for Hardware, Software, and Services Developed or Provided by Kaspersky Lab and Other Covered Entities (Jul 2018) (Section 1634 of Pub. L. 115-91).
- (iv) 52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment. (Aug 2020) (Section 889(a)(1)(A) of Pub. L. 115-232).
- (v) 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (Oct 2018) (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2) and (3)), in all subcontracts that offer further subcontracting opportunities. If the subcontract (except subcontracts to small business concerns) exceeds the applicable threshold specified in FAR 19.702(a) on the date of subcontract award, the subcontractor must include 52.219-8 in lower tier subcontracts that offer subcontracting opportunities.
- (vi) 52.222-21, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (Apr 2015).
- (vii) 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (Sep 2015) (E.O.11246).
- (viii) 52.222-35, Equal Opportunity for Veterans (Jun 2020) (38 U.S.C. 4212).
- (ix) 52.222-36, Equal Opportunity for Workers with Disabilities (Jun 2020) (29 U.S.C. 793).
- (x) 52.222-37, Employment Reports on Veterans (Jun 2020) (38 U.S.C. 4212).

- (xi) 52.222-40, Notification of Employee Rights Under the National Labor Relations Act (Dec 2010) (E.O. 13496). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (f) of FAR clause 52.222-40.
 - (xii) 52.222-41, Service Contract Labor Standards (Aug2018) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
 - (xiii) (A) 52.222-50, Combating Trafficking in Persons (Oct 2020) (22 U.S.C. chapter 78 and E.O 13627).
(B) Alternate I (Mar2015) of 52.222-50 (22 U.S.C. chapter 78 and E.O. 13627).
 - (xiv) 52.222-51, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Maintenance, Calibration, or Repair of Certain Equipment-Requirements (May2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
 - (xv) 52.222-53, Exemption from Application of the Service Contract Labor Standards to Contracts for Certain Services-Requirements (May2014) (41 U.S.C. chapter 67).
 - (xvi) 52.222-54, Employment Eligibility Verification (Oct 2015) (E.O. 12989).
 - (xvii) 52.222-55, Minimum Wages Under Executive Order 13658 (Dec 2015).
 - (xviii) 52.222-62, Paid Sick Leave Under Executive Order 13706 (Jan 2017) (E.O. 13706).
 - (xix) (A) 52.224-3, Privacy Training (Jan 2017) (5 U.S.C. 552a).
(B) Alternate I (Jan 2017) of 52.224-3.
 - (xx) 52.225-26, Contractors Performing Private Security Functions Outside the United States (Oct 2016) (Section 862, as amended, of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008; 10 U.S.C. 2302 Note).
 - (xxi) 52.226-6, Promoting Excess Food Donation to Nonprofit Organizations (Jun 2020) (42 U.S.C. 1792). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (e) of FAR clause 52.226-6.
 - (xxii) 52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (Feb 2006) (46 U.S.C. Appx. 1241(b) and 10 U.S.C. 2631). Flow down required in accordance with paragraph (d) of FAR clause 52.247-64.
- (2) While not required, the Contractor may include in its subcontracts for commercial items a minimal number of additional clauses necessary to satisfy its contractual obligations.

(End of clause)

52.229-12 Tax on certain Foreign Procurements (JUN 2020)

(a) Definitions. As used in this clause—

Foreign person means any person other than a United States person.

United States person, as defined in 26 U.S.C. 7701(a)(30), means—

- (1) A citizen or resident of the United States;
- (2) A domestic partnership;
- (3) A domestic corporation;
- (4) Any estate (other than a foreign estate, within the meaning of 26 U.S.C. 7701(a)(31)); and
- (5) Any trust if—
 - (i) A court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust; and
 - (ii) One or more United States persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust.

(b) This clause applies only to foreign persons. It implements 26 U.S.C. 5000C and its implementing regulations at 26 CFR 1.5000C-1 through 1.5000C-7.

- (c) (1) If the Contractor is a foreign person and has only a partial or no exemption to the withholding, the Contractor shall include the Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Form W-14, Certificate of Foreign Contracting Party Receiving Federal Procurement Payments, with each voucher or invoice submitted under this contract throughout the period in which this status is applicable. The excise tax withholding is applied at the payment level, not at the contract level. The Contractor should revise each IRS Form W-14 submission to reflect the exemption (if any) that applies to that particular invoice, such as a different exemption applying. In the absence of a completed IRS Form W-14 accompanying a payment request, the default withholding percentage is 2 percent for the section 5000C withholding for that payment request. Information about IRS Form W-14 and its separate instructions is available via the internet at www.irs.gov/w14.
- (2) If the Contractor is a foreign person and has indicated in its offer in the provision 52.229-11, Tax on Certain Foreign Procurements—Notice and Representation, that it is fully exempt from the withholding, and certified the full exemption on the IRS Form W-14, and if that full exemption no longer applies due to a change in circumstances during the performance of the contract that causes the Contractor to become subject to the withholding for the 2 percent excise tax then the Contractor shall—
- (i) Notify the Contracting Officer within 30 days of a change in circumstances that causes the Contractor to be subject to the excise tax withholding under 26 U.S.C. 5000C; and
 - (ii) Comply with paragraph (c)(1) of this clause.
- (d) The Government will withhold a full 2 percent of each payment unless the Contractor claims an exemption. If the Contractor enters a ratio in Line 12 of the IRS Form W-14, the result of Line 11 divided by Line 10, the Government will withhold from each payment an amount equal to 2 percent multiplied by the contract ratio. If the Contractor marks box 9 of the IRS Form W-14 (rather than completes Lines 10 through 12), Contractor must identify and enter the specific exempt and nonexempt amounts in Line 15 of the IRS Form W-14; the Government will then withhold 2 percent only from the nonexempt amount. See the IRS Form W-14 and its instructions.
- (e) Exemptions from the withholding under this clause are described at 26 CFR 1.5000C-1(d)(5) through (7). Any exemption claimed and self-certified on the IRS Form W-14 is subject to audit by the IRS. Any disputes regarding the imposition and collection of the 26 U.S.C. 5000C tax are adjudicated by the IRS as the 26 U.S.C. 5000C tax is a tax matter, not a contract issue.
- (f) Taxes imposed under 26 U.S.C. 5000C may not be—
- (1) Included in the contract price; nor
 - (2) Reimbursed.
- (g) A taxpayer may, for a fee, seek advice from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) as to the proper tax treatment of a transaction. This is called a private letter ruling. Also, the IRS may publish a revenue ruling, which is an official interpretation by the IRS of the Internal Revenue Code, related statutes, tax treaties, and regulations. A revenue ruling is the conclusion of the IRS on how the law is applied to a specific set of facts. For questions relating to the interpretation of the IRS regulations go to <https://www.irs.gov/help/tax-law-questions>.

(End of clause)

ADDENDUM TO CONTRACT CLAUSES
FAR AND DOSAR CLAUSES NOT PRESCRIBED IN PART 12

52.252-2 Clauses Incorporated By Reference (FEB 1998)

This contract incorporates one or more clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at this/these address(es):

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<http://www.acquisition.gov/far/> or <http://farsite.hill.af.mil/vffara.htm>

These addresses are subject to change. If the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) is not available at the locations indicated above, use the Department of State Acquisition website at <http://www.statebuy.state.gov/> to access the links to the FAR. You may also use an Internet “search engine” (for example, Google, Yahoo, Excite) to obtain the latest location of the most current FAR.

The following Federal Acquisition Regulation clauses are incorporated by reference:

| <u>CLAUSE</u> | <u>TITLE AND DATE</u> |
|---------------|--|
| 52.204-9 | PERSONAL IDENTITY VERIFICATION OF CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL (JAN 2011) |
| 52.204-12 | DATA UNIVERSAL NUMBERING SYSTEM NUMBER MAINTENANCE (DEC 2012) |
| 52.204-13 | SYSTEM FOR AWARD MANAGEMENT MAINTENANCE (OCT 2018) |
| 52.204-18 | COMMERCIAL AND GOVERNMENT ENTITY CODE MAINTENANCE (JUL 2016) |
| 52.225-14 | INCONSISTENCY BETWEEN ENGLISH VERSION AND TRANSLATION OF CONTRACT (FEB 2000) |

- 52.225-19 Contractor Personnel in a Designated Operational Area or Supporting a Diplomatic or Consular Mission Outside the United States. (May 2020)
- 52.228-4 WORKER'S COMPENSATION AND WAR-HAZARD INSURANCE OVERSEAS (APR 1984)
- 52.228-5 INSURANCE - WORK ON A GOVERNMENT INSTALLATION (JAN 1997)
- 52.229-6 FOREIGN FIXED PRICE CONTRACTS (FEB 2013)
- 52.232-39 UNENFORCEABILITY OF UNAUTHORIZED OBLIGATIONS (JUNE 2013)

CLAUSES PROVIDED IN FULL TEXT

52.217-8 Option To Extend Services (NOV 1999)

The Government may require continued performance of any services within the limits and at the rates specified in the contract. The option provision may be exercised more than once, but the total extension of performance hereunder shall not exceed 6 months. The Contracting Officer may exercise the option by written notice to the Contractor within the performance period of the contract.

(End of clause)

52.217-9 Option To Extend The Term Of The Contract (MAR 2000)

- (a) The Government may extend the term of this contract by written notice to the Contractor within the performance period of the contract or within 30 days after funds for the option year become available, whichever is later.
- (b) If the Government exercises this option, the extended contract shall be considered to include this option clause.
- (a) The total duration of this contract, including the exercise of any options under this clause, shall not exceed three (3) years.

(End of clause)

52.232-19 Availability Of Funds For The Next Fiscal Year (APR 1984)

Funds are not presently available for performance under this contract beyond September 30 of the current calendar year. The Government's obligation for performance of this contract beyond that date is contingent upon the availability of appropriated funds from which payment for contract purposes can be made. No legal liability on the part of the Government for any payment may arise for performance under

this contract beyond September 30 of the current calendar year, until funds are made available to the Contracting Officer for performance and until the Contractor receives notice of availability, to be confirmed in writing by the Contracting Officer.

(End of clause)

The following DOSAR clause(s) is/are provided in full text:

652.204-70 Department Of State Personal Identification Card Issuance (MAY 2011)

- (a) The Contractor shall comply with the Department of State (DOS) Personal Identification Card Issuance Procedures for all employees performing under this contract who require frequent and continuing access to DOS facilities, or information systems. The Contractor shall insert this clause in all subcontracts when the subcontractor's employees will require frequent and continuing access to DOS facilities, or information systems.
- (b) The DOS Personal Identification Card Issuance Procedures may be accessed at <http://www.state.gov/m/ds/rls/rpt/c21664.htm> .

(End of clause)

CONTRACTOR IDENTIFICATION (JULY 2008)

Contract performance may require contractor personnel to attend meetings with government personnel and the public, work within government offices, and/or utilize government email.

Contractor personnel must take the following actions to identify themselves as non-federal employees:

- 1) Use an email signature block that shows name, the office being supported and company affiliation (e.g. "John Smith, Office of Human Resources, ACME Corporation Support Contractor");
- 2) Clearly identify themselves and their contractor affiliation in meetings;
- 3) Identify their contractor affiliation in Departmental e-mail and phone listings whenever contractor personnel are included in those listings; and
- 4) Contractor personnel may not utilize Department of State logos or indicia on business cards.

652.232-70 Payment Schedule And Invoice Submission (Fixed-Price) (AUG 1999)

- (a) General. The Government shall pay the Contractor as full compensation for all work required, performed, and accepted under this contract the firm fixed-price stated in this contract.
- (b) Invoice Submission. The Contractor shall submit invoices in an original and **ONE (1)** copies to the office identified in Block 18b of the SF-1449. To constitute a proper invoice, the invoice shall include all the items required by FAR 32.905(e)

[Note to Contracting Officer: State the address to which the invoice should be sent. This should be the FMO's address. The FMO will log in the invoice and forward to the COR for payment]

- (c) Contractor Remittance Address. The Government will make payment to the Contractor's address stated on the cover page of this contract, unless a separate remittance address is shown below:

| |
|-----------------------------------|
| Financial Management Center (FMC) |
| Embassy of the United States |
| Km. 5.5 Carretera Sur |
| Managua, Nicaragua |
| ManaguaVendorInvoice@state.gov |

652.236-70 Additional Safety Measures (OCT 2017)

In addition to the safety/accident prevention requirements of FAR 52.236-13, Accident Prevention Alternate I, the contractor shall comply with the following additional safety measures.

- (a) *High Risk Activities.* If the project contains any of the following high risk activities, the contractor shall follow the section in the latest edition, as of the date of the solicitation, of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Safety and Health manual, EM 385-1-1, that corresponds to the high risk activity. Before work may proceed, the contractor must obtain approval from the COR of the written safety plan required by FAR 52.236-13, Accident Prevention Alternate I (see paragraph (f) below), containing specific hazard mitigation and control techniques.
- (1) Scaffolding;
 - (2) Work at heights above 1.8 meters;
 - (3) Trenching or other excavation greater than one (1) meter in depth;
 - (4) Earth-moving equipment and other large vehicles;
 - (5) Cranes and rigging;
 - (6) Welding or cutting and other hot work;
 - (7) Partial or total demolition of a structure;
 - (8) Temporary wiring, use of portable electric tools, or other recognized electrical hazards. Temporary wiring and portable electric tools require the use of a ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) in the affected circuits; other electrical hazards may also require the use of a GFCI;
 - (9) Work in confined spaces (limited exits, potential for oxygen less than 19.5 percent or combustible atmosphere, potential for solid or liquid engulfment, or other hazards considered to be immediately dangerous to life or health such as water tanks, transformer vaults, sewers, cisterns, etc.);
 - (10) Hazardous materials - a material with a physical or health hazard including but not limited to, flammable, explosive, corrosive, toxic, reactive or unstable, or any operations, which creates any kind of contamination inside an occupied building such as dust from demolition activities, paints, solvents, etc.; or
 - (11) Hazardous noise levels as required in EM 385-1 Section 5B or local standards if more restrictive.
- (b) *Safety and Health Requirements.* The contractor and all subcontractors shall comply with the latest edition of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Safety and Health manual EM 385-1-1, or OSHA 29 CFR parts 1910 or 1926 if no EM 385-1-1 requirements are applicable, and the accepted contractor's written safety program.

- (c) *Mishap Reporting.* The contractor is required to report **immediately** all mishaps to the COR and the contracting officer. A “mishap” is any event causing injury, disease or illness, death, material loss or property damage, or incident causing environmental contamination. The mishap reporting requirement shall include fires, explosions, hazardous materials contamination, and other similar incidents that may threaten people, property, and equipment.
- (d) *Records.* The contractor shall maintain an accurate record on all mishaps incident to work performed under this contract resulting in death, traumatic injury, occupational disease, or damage to or theft of property, materials, supplies, or equipment. The contractor shall report this data in the manner prescribed by the contracting officer.
- (e) *Subcontracts.* The contractor shall insert this clause, including this paragraph (e), with appropriate changes in the designation of the parties, in subcontracts.
- (f) *Written program.* The plan required by paragraph (f)(1) of the clause entitled “Accident Prevention Alternate I” shall be known as the Site Safety and Health Plan (SSHP) and shall address any activities listed in paragraph (a) of this clause, or as otherwise required by the contracting officer/COR.
- (1) The SSHP shall be submitted at least 10 working days prior to commencing any activity at the site.
 - (2) The plan must address developing activity hazard analyses (AHAs) for specific tasks. The AHAs shall define the activities being performed and identify the work sequences, the specific anticipated hazards, site conditions, equipment, materials, and the control measures to be implemented to eliminate or reduce each hazard to an acceptable level of risk. Work shall not begin until the AHA for the work activity has been accepted by the COR and discussed with all engaged in the activity, including the Contractor, subcontractor(s), and Government on-site representatives.
 - (3) The names of the Competent/Qualified Person(s) required for a particular activity (for example, excavations, scaffolding, fall protection, other activities as specified by EM 385-1-1) shall be identified and included in the AHA. Proof of their competency/qualification shall be submitted to the contracting officer or COR for acceptance prior to the start of that work activity. The AHA shall be reviewed and modified as necessary to address changing site conditions, operations, or change of competent/qualified person(s).

(End of clause)

652.237-72 Observance of Legal Holidays and Administrative Leave (FEB 2015)

- (a) The Department of State observes the following days as holidays:
- New Year’s Day
 - Martin Luther King’s Birthday
 - Washington’s Birthday
 - Memorial Day
 - Independence Day
 - Labor Day
 - Columbus Day
 - Veterans Day
 - Thanksgiving Day

- Christmas Day

Any other day designated by Federal law, Executive Order, or Presidential Proclamation.

- (b) When New Year's Day, Independence Day, Veterans Day or Christmas Day falls on a Sunday, the following Monday is observed; if it falls on Saturday the preceding Friday is observed. Observance of such days by Government personnel shall not be cause for additional period of performance or entitlement to compensation except as set forth in the contract. If the contractor's personnel work on a holiday, no form of holiday or other premium compensation will be reimbursed either as a direct or indirect cost, unless authorized pursuant to an overtime clause elsewhere in this contract.
- (c) When the Department of State grants administrative leave to its Government employees, assigned contractor personnel in Government facilities shall also be dismissed. However, the contractor agrees to continue to provide sufficient personnel to perform round-the-clock requirements of critical tasks already in operation or scheduled, and shall be guided by the instructions issued by the contracting officer or his/her duly authorized representative.
- (d) For fixed-price contracts, if services are not required or provided because the building is closed due to inclement weather, unanticipated holidays declared by the President, failure of Congress to appropriate funds, or similar reasons, deductions will be computed as follows:
 - (1) The deduction rate in dollars per day will be equal to the per month contract price divided by 21 days per month.
 - (2) The deduction rate in dollars per day will be multiplied by the number of days services are not required or provided.

If services are provided for portions of days, appropriate adjustment will be made by the contracting officer to ensure that the contractor is compensated for services provided.

- (e) If administrative leave is granted to contractor personnel as a result of conditions stipulated in any "Excusable Delays" clause of this contract, it will be without loss to the contractor. The cost of salaries and wages to the contractor for the period of any such excused absence shall be a reimbursable item of direct cost hereunder for employees whose regular time is normally charged, and a reimbursable item of indirect cost for employees whose time is normally charged indirectly in accordance with the contractors accounting policy.

(End of clause)

652.242-70 Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) (AUG 1999)

- (a) The Contracting Officer may designate in writing one or more Government employees, by name or position title, to take action for the Contracting Officer under this contract. Each designee shall be identified as a Contracting Officer's Representative (COR). Such designation(s) shall specify the scope and limitations of the authority so delegated; provided, that the designee shall not change the terms or conditions of the contract, unless the COR is a warranted Contracting Officer and this authority is delegated in the designation.
- (b) The COR for this contract is: DETACHMENT COMMANDER, JOEL WRIGHT.

(End of clause)

652.242-73 Authorization And Performance (AUG 1999)

(a) The Contractor warrants the following:

- (1) That is has obtained authorization to operate and do business in the country or countries in which this contract will be performed;
- (2) That is has obtained all necessary licenses and permits required to perform this contract; and,
- (3) That it shall comply fully with all laws, decrees, labor standards, and regulations of said country or countries during the performance of this contract.

(b) If the party actually performing the work will be a subcontractor or joint venture partner, then such subcontractor or joint venture partner agrees to the requirements of paragraph (a) of this clause.

(End of clause)

652.229-70 Excise Tax Exemption Statement For Contractors Within The United States (JUL 1988)

This is to certify that the item(s) covered by this contract is/are for export solely for the use of the U.S. Foreign Service Post identified in the contract schedule.

The Contractor shall use a photocopy of this contract as evidence of intent to export. Final proof of exportation may be obtained from the agent handling the shipment. Such proof shall be accepted in lieu of payment of excise tax.

(End of clause)

SECTION 3 – SOLICITATION PROVISIONS

52.212-1 Instructions To Offerors - Commercial Items (JUN 2020) is incorporated by reference (see SF-1449, Block 27A)

ADDENDUM TO 52.212-1

A. Summary of instructions. Each offer must consist of the following:

- A.1. A completed solicitation, in which the SF-1449 cover page (Blocks 12, 17, 19-24, and 30 as appropriate), and Section 1 has been filled out.

The Offeror shall include Defense Base Act (DBA) insurance premium costs covering employees. The offeror may obtain DBA insurance directly from any Department of Labor approved providers at the DOL website at <http://www.dol.gov/owcp/dlhwc/lscarrrier.htm>]

- A.2. Information demonstrating the offeror's/quoter's ability to perform, including:

- (1) Name of a Project Manager (or other liaison to the Embassy/Consulate) who understands written and spoken English;
- (2) Evidence that the offeror/quoter operates an established business with a permanent address and telephone listing;
- (3) List of clients over the past **THREE (3) to FIVE (5)** years, demonstrating prior experience with food preparation, serving and relevant past performance information and references (provide dates of contracts, places of performance, value of contracts, contact names, telephone and fax numbers and email addresses). If the offeror has not performed comparable services in **NICARAGUA** then the offeror shall provide its international experience. Offerors are advised that the past performance information requested above may be discussed with the client's contact person. In addition, the client's contact person may be asked to comment on the offeror's:
 - Quality of services provided under the contract;
 - Compliance with contract terms and conditions;
 - Effectiveness of management;
 - Willingness to cooperate with and assist the customer in routine matters, and when confronted by unexpected difficulties; and
 - Business integrity / business conduct.

The Government will use past performance information primarily to assess an offeror's capability to meet the solicitation performance requirements, including the relevance and successful performance of the offeror's work experience. The Government may also use this data to evaluate the credibility of the offeror's proposal. In addition, the Contracting Officer may use past performance information in making a determination of responsibility.
- (4) Evidence that the offeror/quoter can provide the necessary personnel, equipment, and financial resources needed to perform the work;

- (5) The offeror shall address its plan to obtain all licenses and permits required by local law (see DOSAR 652.242-73 in Section 2). If offeror already possesses the locally required licenses and permits, a copy shall be provided.
- (6) The offeror's strategic plan for providing food preparation services to include but not limited to:
 - (a) A work plan taking into account all work elements in Section 1, Performance Work Statement.
 - (b) Identify types and quantities of equipment, supplies and materials required for performance of services under this contract. Identify if the offeror already possesses the listed items and their condition for suitability and if not already possessed or inadequate for use how and when the items will be obtained;
 - (c) Plan of ensuring quality of services including but not limited to contract administration and oversight to include Risk Management Plan, Reporting plan, Hazard Analysis Critical Point Plan, HACCP taking in to account all Deliverables listed in Attachment 1 Deliverables; and
 - (d) (1) If insurance is required by the solicitation, a copy of the Certificate of Insurance(s), **or**
(2) a statement that the Contractor will get the required insurance, and the name of the insurance provider to be used.

ADDENDUM TO SOLICITATION PROVISIONS
FAR AND DOSAR PROVISIONS NOT PRESCRIBED IN PART 12

52.252-1 Solicitation Provisions Incorporated By Reference (FEB 1998)

This solicitation incorporates one or more solicitation provisions by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at:
<http://www.acquisition.gov/far/> or <http://farsite.hill.af.mil/vffara.htm>.

These addresses are subject to change. If the FAR is not available at the locations indicated above, use of an internet “search engine” (for example, Google, Yahoo, Excite) is suggested to obtain the latest location of the most current FAR provisions.

THE FOLLOWING FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION SOLICITATION PROVISIONS ARE INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE:

| <u>PROVISION</u> | <u>TITLE AND DATE</u> |
|------------------|---|
| 52.204-7 | SYSTEM FOR AWARD MANAGEMENT (OCT 2018) |
| 52.204-16 | COMMERCIAL AND GOVERNMENT ENTITY CODE REPORTING (JULY 2016) |
| 52.214-34 | SUBMISSION OF OFFERS IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE (APR 1991) |
| 52.237-1 | SITE VISIT (APR 1984) |

The site visit will be held on **a date and time to be determined by MSG at the Embassy of the United States, Managua Compound**. This will be notified to Prospective Offerors/quoters, who should contact **the Procurement Unit (ManaguaGSOProcurement@state.gov)** for additional information or to arrange entry to the building.

The following DOSAR provision(s) is/are provided in full text:

652.206-70 Advocate For Competition/Ombudsman (FEB 201 5)

- (a) The Department of State’s Advocate for Competition is responsible for assisting industry in removing restrictive requirements from Department of State solicitations and removing barriers to full and open competition and use of commercial items. If such a solicitation is considered competitively restrictive or does not appear properly conducive to competition and commercial practices, potential offerors are encouraged first to contact the contracting office for the solicitation. If concerns remain unresolved, contact:
 - (1) For solicitations issued by the Office of Acquisition Management (A/LM/AQM) or a Regional Procurement Support Office, the A/LM/AQM Advocate for Competition, at AQMCompetitionAdvocate@state.gov.
 - (2) For all others, the Department of State Advocate for Competition at cat@state.gov.
- (c) The Department of State’s Acquisition Ombudsman has been appointed to hear concerns from potential offerors and contractors during the pre-award and post-award phases of this acquisition. The role of the ombudsman is not to diminish the authority of the contracting officer, the Technical Evaluation Panel or Source Evaluation Board, or the selection official. The purpose of the ombudsman is to facilitate the communication of concerns, issues, disagreements, and recommendations of interested parties to the

appropriate Government personnel, and work to resolve them. When requested and appropriate, the ombudsman will maintain strict confidentiality as to the source of the concern. The ombudsman does not participate in the evaluation of proposals, the source selection process, or the adjudication of formal contract disputes. Interested parties are invited to contact the contracting activity ombudsman. For an American Embassy or overseas post, refer to the numbers below for the Department Acquisition Ombudsman. Concerns, issues, disagreements, and recommendations which cannot be resolved at a contracting activity level may be referred to the Department of State Acquisition Ombudsman at (703) 516-1696 or write to: Department of State, Acquisition Ombudsman, Office of the Procurement Executive (A/OPE), Suite 1060, SA-15, Washington, DC 20520.

(End of provision)

SECTION 4 – EVALUATION FACTORS

The Government intends to award a contract/purchase order resulting from this solicitation to the lowest priced, technically acceptable offeror/quoter who is a responsible contractor. The evaluation process shall include the following:

- a) **Compliance Review.**
The Government will perform an initial review of proposals/quotations received to determine compliance with the terms of the solicitation. The Government may reject as unacceptable proposals/quotations which do not conform to the solicitation.
- b) **Technical Acceptability.**
Technical acceptability will include a review of past performance and experience as defined in Section 3, along with any technical information provided by the offeror with its proposal/quotation. Technical acceptability will include review of plan of ensuring quality of services including but not limited to contract administration and oversight, Risk Management Plan, Reporting plan, Hazard Analysis Critical Point Plan, HACCP and taking in to account all Deliverables listed in Attachment 1-Deliverables.
- c) **Price Evaluation.**
The lowest price will be determined by multiplying the offered prices times the estimated quantities in “Prices – Continuation of SF-1449, Block 23”, and arriving at a grand total, including all options. The Government reserves the right to reject proposals that are unreasonably low or high in price.
- d) **Responsibility Determination.**
The Government will determine contractor responsibility by analyzing whether the apparent successful offeror complies with the requirements of FAR Subpart 9.1, including:
 - Adequate financial resources or the ability to obtain them;
 - Ability to comply with the required performance period, taking into consideration all existing commercial and governmental business commitments;
 - Satisfactory record of integrity and business ethics;
 - Necessary organization, experience, and skills or the ability to obtain them;
 - Necessary equipment and facilities or the ability to obtain them; and
 - Be otherwise qualified and eligible to receive an award under applicable laws and regulations.

ADDENDUM TO EVALUATION FACTORS
FAR AND DOSAR PROVISION(S) NOT PRESCRIBED IN PART 12

The following FAR provision(s) is/are provided in full text:

52.217-5 Evaluation Of Options (JUL 1990)

The Government will evaluate offers for award purposes by adding the total price for all options to the total price for the basic requirement. Evaluation of options will not obligate the Government to exercise the option(s).

(End of clause)

52.225-17 Evaluation Of Foreign Currency Offers (FEB 2000)

If the Government receives offers in more than one currency, the Government will evaluate offers by converting the foreign currency to United States currency using the exchange rate used by the Embassy in effect as follows:

- (a) For acquisitions conducted using sealed bidding procedures, on the date of bid opening.
- (b) For acquisitions conducted using negotiation procedures—
 - (1) On the date specified for receipt of offers, if award is based on initial offers; otherwise
 - (2) On the date specified for receipt of proposal revisions.

(End of clause)

SECTION 5 - REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS

NOTE: paragraphs (c), (d), (f), and (g) can be reserved if the vendors are all overseas vendors

52.212-3 Offeror Representations and Certifications—Commercial Items (OCT 2020)

The Offeror shall complete only paragraph (b) of this provision if the Offeror has completed the annual representations and certification electronically in the System for Award Management (SAM) accessed through <https://www.sam.gov>. If the Offeror has not completed the annual representations and certifications electronically, the Offeror shall complete only paragraphs (c) through (v) of this provision.

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this provision—

“Covered telecommunications equipment or services” has the meaning provided in the clause 52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.

Economically disadvantaged women-owned small business (EDWOSB) concern means a small business concern that is at least 51 percent directly and unconditionally owned by, and the management and daily business operations of which are controlled by, one or more women who are citizens of the United States and who are economically disadvantaged in accordance with 13 CFR part 127. It automatically qualifies as a women-owned small business eligible under the WOSB Program.

Forced or indentured child labor means all work or service—

- (1) Exacted from any person under the age of 18 under the menace of any penalty for its nonperformance and for which the worker does not offer himself voluntarily; or
- (2) Performed by any person under the age of 18 pursuant to a contract the enforcement of which can be accomplished by process or penalties.

Highest-level owner means the entity that owns or controls an immediate owner of the offeror, or that owns or controls one or more entities that control an immediate owner of the offeror. No entity owns or exercises control of the highest level owner.

Immediate owner means an entity, other than the offeror, that has direct control of the offeror. Indicators of control include, but are not limited to, one or more of the following: ownership or interlocking management, identity of interests among family members, shared facilities and equipment, and the common use of employees.

Inverted domestic corporation, means a foreign incorporated entity that meets the definition of an inverted domestic corporation under 6 U.S.C. 395(b), applied in accordance with the rules and definitions of 6 U.S.C. 395(c).

Manufactured end product means any end product in product and service codes (PSCs) 1000-9999, except—

- (1) PSC 5510, Lumber and Related Basic Wood Materials;
- (2) Product or Service Group (PSG) 87, Agricultural Supplies;
- (3) PSG 88, Live Animals;
- (4) PSG 89, Subsistence;
- (5) PSC 9410, Crude Grades of Plant Materials;
- (6) PSC 9430, Miscellaneous Crude Animal Products, Inedible;
- (7) PSC 9440, Miscellaneous Crude Agricultural and Forestry Products;
- (8) PSC 9610, Ores;

- (9) PSC 9620, Minerals, Natural and Synthetic; and
- (10) PSC 9630, Additive Metal Materials.

Place of manufacture means the place where an end product is assembled out of components, or otherwise made or processed from raw materials into the finished product that is to be provided to the Government. If a product is disassembled and reassembled, the place of reassembly is not the place of manufacture.

Predecessor means an entity that is replaced by a successor and includes any predecessors of the predecessor.

Reasonable inquiry has the meaning provided in the clause 52.204–25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.

Restricted business operations means business operations in Sudan that include power production activities, mineral extraction activities, oil-related activities, or the production of military equipment, as those terms are defined in the Sudan Accountability and Divestment Act of 2007 (Pub. L. 110-174). Restricted business operations do not include business operations that the person (as that term is defined in Section 2 of the Sudan Accountability and Divestment Act of 2007) conducting the business can demonstrate—

- (1) Are conducted under contract directly and exclusively with the regional government of southern Sudan;
- (2) Are conducted pursuant to specific authorization from the Office of Foreign Assets Control in the Department of the Treasury, or are expressly exempted under Federal law from the requirement to be conducted under such authorization;
- (3) Consist of providing goods or services to marginalized populations of Sudan;
- (4) Consist of providing goods or services to an internationally recognized peacekeeping force or humanitarian organization;
- (5) Consist of providing goods or services that are used only to promote health or education; or
- (6) Have been voluntarily suspended. “Sensitive technology”—

Sensitive technology—

- (1) Means hardware, software, telecommunications equipment, or any other technology that is to be used specifically—
 - (i) To restrict the free flow of unbiased information in Iran; or
 - (ii) To disrupt, monitor, or otherwise restrict speech of the people of Iran; and
- (2) Does not include information or informational materials the export of which the President does not have the authority to regulate or prohibit pursuant to section 203(b)(3) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1702(b)(3)).

Service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern—

- (1) Means a small business concern—
 - (i) Not less than 51 percent of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more service-disabled veterans; and
 - (ii) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more service-disabled veterans or, in the case of a service-disabled veteran with permanent and severe disability, the spouse or permanent caregiver of such veteran.
- (2) Service-disabled veteran means a veteran, as defined in 38 U.S.C. 101(2), with a disability that is service connected, as defined in 38 U.S.C. 101(16).

Small business concern means a concern, including its affiliates, that is independently owned and operated, not dominant in the field of operation in which it is bidding on Government contracts, and qualified as a small business under the criteria in 13 CFR Part 121 and size standards in this solicitation.

Small disadvantaged business concern, consistent with 13 CFR 124.1002, means a small business concern under the size standard applicable to the acquisition, that—

- (1) Is at least 51 percent unconditionally and directly owned (as defined at 13 CFR 124.105) by—
 - (i) One or more socially disadvantaged (as defined at 13 CFR 124.103) and economically disadvantaged (as defined at 13 CFR 124.104) individuals who are citizens of the United States; and
 - (ii) Each individual claiming economic disadvantage has a net worth not exceeding \$750,000 after taking into account the applicable exclusions set forth at 13 CFR 124.104(c)(2); and
- (2) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled (as defined at 13 CFR 124.106) by individuals, who meet the criteria in paragraphs (1)(i) and (ii) of this definition.

Subsidiary means an entity in which more than 50 percent of the entity is owned—

- (1) Directly by a parent corporation; or
- (2) Through another subsidiary of a parent corporation

Successor means an entity that has replaced a predecessor by acquiring the assets and carrying out the affairs of the predecessor under a new name (often through acquisition or merger). The term “successor” does not include new offices/divisions of the same company or a company that only changes its name. The extent of the responsibility of the successor for the liabilities of the predecessor may vary, depending on State law and specific circumstances.

Veteran-owned small business concern means a small business concern—

- (1) Not less than 51 percent of which is owned by one or more veterans (as defined at 38 U.S.C. 101(2)) or, in the case of any publicly owned business, not less than 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more veterans; and
- (2) The management and daily business operations of which are controlled by one or more veterans.

Women-owned small business (WOSB) concern eligible under the WOSB Program (in accordance with 13 CFR part 127), means a small business concern that is at least 51 percent directly and unconditionally owned by, and the management and daily business operations of which are controlled by, one or more women who are citizens of the United States.

Women-owned small business concern means a small business concern—

- (1) That is at least 51 percent owned by one or more women; or, in the case of any publicly owned business, at least 51 percent of the stock of which is owned by one or more women; and
- (2) Whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more women.

(b)

- (1) *Annual Representations and Certifications.* Any changes provided by the Offeror in paragraph (b)(2) of this provision do not automatically change the representations and certifications in SAM
- (2) The offeror has completed the annual representations and certifications electronically in SAM accessed through <http://www.sam.gov>. After reviewing SAM information, the Offeror verifies

by submission of this offer that the representations and certifications currently posted electronically at FAR 52.212-3, Offeror Representations and Certifications-Commercial Items, have been entered or updated in the last 12 months, are current, accurate, complete, and applicable to this solicitation (including the business size standard(s) applicable to the NAICS code(s) referenced for this solicitation), at the time this offer is submitted and are incorporated in this offer by reference (see FAR 4.1201), except for paragraphs _____.

[Offeror to identify the applicable paragraphs at (c) through (v) of this provision that the offeror has completed for the purposes of this solicitation only, if any.]

These amended representation(s) and/or certification(s) are also incorporated in this offer and are current, accurate, and complete as of the date of this offer.

Any changes provided by the offeror are applicable to this solicitation only, and do not result in an update to the representations and certifications posted electronically on SAM.]

- (c) Offerors must complete the following representations when the resulting contract will be performed in the United States or its outlying areas. Check all that apply.
- (1) *Small business concern.* The offeror represents as part of its offer that it ☐ is, ☐ is not a small business concern.
 - (2) *Veteran-owned small business concern.* [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents as part of its offer that it ☐ is, ☐ is not a veteran-owned small business concern.
 - (3) *Service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern.* [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a veteran-owned small business concern in paragraph (c)(2) of this provision.] The offeror represents as part of its offer that it ☐ is, ☐ is not a service-disabled veteran-owned small business concern.
 - (4) *Small disadvantaged business concern.* [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents, that it ☐ is, ☐ is not a small disadvantaged business concern as defined in 13 CFR 124.1002.
 - (5) *Women-owned small business concern.* [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.] The offeror represents that it ☐ is, ☐ is not a women-owned small business concern.
 - (6) *WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program.* [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a women-owned small business concern in paragraph (c)(5) of this provision.] The offeror represents that-
 - (i) It ☐ is, ☐ is not a WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program, has provided all the required documents to the WOSB Repository, and no change in circumstances or adverse decisions have been issued that affects its eligibility; and
 - (ii) It ☐ is, ☐ is not a joint venture that complies with the requirements of 13 CFR part 127, and the representation in paragraph (c)(6)(i) of this provision is accurate for each WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program participating in the joint venture. [The offeror shall enter the name or names of the WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program and other small businesses that are participating in the joint venture: _____.] Each WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program participating in the joint venture shall submit a separate signed copy of the WOSB representation.
 - (7) Economically disadvantaged women-owned small business (EDWOSB) concern. [Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a WOSB concern eligible under the WOSB Program in (c)(6) of this provision.] The offeror represents that-
 - (i) It ☐ is, ☐ is not an EDWOSB concern, has provided all the required documents to the WOSB Repository, and no change in circumstances or adverse decisions have been issued that affects its eligibility; and

- (ii) It ☐ is, ☐ is not a joint venture that complies with the requirements of 13 CFR part 127, and the representation in paragraph (c)(7)(i) of this provision is accurate for each EDWOSB concern participating in the joint venture. [*The offeror shall enter the name or names of the EDWOSB concern and other small businesses that are participating in the joint venture: _____.*] Each EDWOSB concern participating in the joint venture shall submit a separate signed copy of the EDWOSB representation.

Note: Complete paragraphs (c)(8) and (c)(9) only if this solicitation is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.

- (8) *Women-owned business concern (other than small business concern).* [*Complete only if the offeror is a women-owned business concern and did not represent itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.*] The offeror represents that it ☐ is a women-owned business concern.
- (9) *Tie bid priority for labor surplus area concerns.* If this is an invitation for bid, small business offerors may identify the labor surplus areas in which costs to be incurred on account of manufacturing or production (by offeror or first-tier subcontractors) amount to more than 50 percent of the contract price: _____
- (10) *HUBZone small business concern.* [*Complete only if the offeror represented itself as a small business concern in paragraph (c)(1) of this provision.*] The offeror represents, as part of its offer, that—
 - (i) It ☐ is, ☐ is not a HUBZone small business concern listed, on the date of this representation, on the List of Qualified HUBZone Small Business Concerns maintained by the Small Business Administration, and no material changes in ownership and control, principal office, or HUBZone employee percentage have occurred since it was certified in accordance with 13 CFR Part 126; and
 - (ii) It ☐ is, ☐ is not a HUBZone joint venture that complies with the requirements of 13 CFR Part 126, and the representation in paragraph (c)(10)(i) of this provision is accurate for each HUBZone small business concern participating in the HUBZone joint venture. [*The offeror shall enter the names of each of the HUBZone small business concerns participating in the HUBZone joint venture: _____.*] Each HUBZone small business concern participating in the HUBZone joint venture shall submit a separate signed copy of the HUBZone representation.

(d) Representations required to implement provisions of Executive Order 11246-

- (1) *Previous contracts and compliance.* The offeror represents that—
 - (i) It ☐ has, ☐ has not participated in a previous contract or subcontract subject to the Equal Opportunity clause of this solicitation; and
 - (ii) It ☐ has, ☐ has not filed all required compliance reports.
- (2) *Affirmative Action Compliance.* The offeror represents that—
 - (i) It ☐ has developed and has on file, ☐ has not developed and does not have on file, at each establishment, affirmative action programs required by rules and regulations of the Secretary of Labor (41 CFR parts 60-1 and 60-2), or
 - (ii) It ☐ has not previously had contracts subject to the written affirmative action programs requirement of the rules and regulations of the Secretary of Labor.

(e) *Certification Regarding Payments to Influence Federal Transactions* (31 <http://uscode.house.gov/U.S.C. 1352>). (Applies only if the contract is expected to exceed \$150,000.) By submission of its offer, the offeror certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief that no Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress or an employee of a Member of Congress on his or her behalf in connection with the award of any resultant contract. If any registrants under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 have made a lobbying contact on behalf of the offeror with respect to this contract, the offeror shall complete and submit, with its offer, OMB Standard Form LLL, Disclosure of Lobbying Activities, to provide the name of the registrants. The offeror need not report regularly employed officers or employees of the offeror to whom payments of reasonable compensation were made.

(f) *Buy American Certificate*. (Applies only if the clause at Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 52.225-1, Buy American-Supplies, is included in this solicitation.)

(1) The offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (f)(2) of this provision, is a domestic end product and that for other than COTS items, the offeror has considered components of unknown origin to have been mined, produced, or manufactured outside the United States. The offeror shall list as foreign end products those end products manufactured in the United States that do not qualify as domestic end products, *i.e.*, an end product that is not a COTS item and does not meet the component test in paragraph (2) of the definition of “domestic end product.” The terms “commercially available off-the-shelf (COTS) item” “component,” “domestic end product,” “end product,” “foreign end product,” and “United States” are defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American-Supplies.”

(2) Foreign End Products:

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(3) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR part 25.

(g)

(1) *Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act Certificate*. (Applies only if the clause at FAR 52.225-3, Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act, is included in this solicitation.)

(i) The offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (g)(1)(ii) or (g)(1)(iii) of this provision, is a domestic end product and that for other than COTS items, the offeror has considered components of unknown origin to have been mined, produced, or manufactured outside the United States. The terms “Bahrainian, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian end product,” “commercially available off-the-shelf (COTS) item,” “component,” “domestic end product,” “end product,” “foreign end product,” “Free Trade Agreement country,” “Free Trade Agreement country end product,” “Israeli end product,” and “United States” are defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American-Free Trade Agreements–Israeli Trade Act.”

- (ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Free Trade Agreement country end products (other than Bahrainian, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian end products) or Israeli end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act”:

Free Trade Agreement Country End Products (Other than Bahrainian, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian End Products) or Israeli End Products:

| Line Item No. | Country of Origin |
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- (iii) The offeror shall list those supplies that are foreign end products (other than those listed in paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of this provision) as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act.” The offeror shall list as other foreign end products those end products manufactured in the United States that do not qualify as domestic end products, *i.e.*, an end product that is not a COTS item and does not meet the component test in paragraph (2) of the definition of “domestic end product.”

Other Foreign End Products:

| Line Item No. | Country of Origin |
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- (iv) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR part 25.

- (2) *Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act Certificate, Alternate I.* If Alternate I to the clause at FAR 52.225-3 is included in this solicitation, substitute the following paragraph (g)(1)(ii) for paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of the basic provision:
(g)(1)(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Canadian end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act”:

Canadian End Products:

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- (3) *Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act Certificate, Alternate II.* If Alternate II to the clause at FAR 52.225-3 is included in this solicitation, substitute the following paragraph (g)(1)(ii) for paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of the basic provision:
(g)(1)(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Canadian end products or Israeli end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act”:

Canadian or Israeli End Products:

| Line Item No. | Country of Origin |
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- (4) *Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act Certificate, Alternate III.* If Alternate III to the clause at 52.225-3 is included in this solicitation, substitute the following paragraph (g)(1)(ii) for paragraph (g)(1)(ii) of the basic provision:
 (g)(1)(ii) The offeror certifies that the following supplies are Free Trade Agreement country end products (other than Bahrainian, Korean, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian end products) or Israeli end products as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Buy American-Free Trade Agreements-Israeli Trade Act”:

Free Trade Agreement Country End Products (Other than Bahrainian, Korean, Moroccan, Omani, Panamanian, or Peruvian End Products) or Israeli End Products:

| Line Item No. | Country of Origin |
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- (5) *Trade Agreements Certificate.* (Applies only if the clause at FAR 52.225-5, Trade Agreements, is included in this solicitation.)
 (i) The offeror certifies that each end product, except those listed in paragraph (g)(5)(ii) of this provision, is a U.S.-made or designated country end product, as defined in the clause of this solicitation entitled “Trade Agreements.”
 (ii) The offeror shall list as other end products those end products that are not U.S.-made or designated country end products.

Other End Products:

| Line Item No. | Country of Origin |
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- (iii) The Government will evaluate offers in accordance with the policies and procedures of FAR part 25. For line items covered by the WTO GPA, the Government will evaluate offers of U.S.-made or designated country end products without regard to the restrictions of the Buy American statute. The Government will consider for award only offers of U.S.-made or designated country end products unless the Contracting Officer determines that there are no offers for such products or that the offers for such products are insufficient to fulfill the requirements of the solicitation.

(h) *Certification Regarding Responsibility Matters (Executive Order 12689)*. (Applies only if the contract value is expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold.) The offeror certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that the offeror and/or any of its principals—

- (1) ☐ Are, ☐ are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any Federal agency;
- (2) ☐ Have, ☐ have not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a Federal, state or local government contract or subcontract; violation of Federal or state antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, violating Federal criminal tax laws, or receiving stolen property;
- (3) ☐ Are, ☐ are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a Government entity with, commission of any of these offenses enumerated in paragraph (h)(2) of this clause; and
- (3) ☐ Have, ☐ have not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, been notified of any delinquent Federal taxes in an amount that exceeds \$3,500 for which the liability remains unsatisfied.

(i) Taxes are considered delinquent if both of the following criteria apply:

- (A) *The tax liability is finally determined.* The liability is finally determined if it has been assessed. A liability is not finally determined if there is a pending administrative or judicial challenge. In the case of a judicial challenge to the liability, the liability is not finally determined until all judicial appeal rights have been exhausted.
- (B) *The taxpayer is delinquent in making payment.* A taxpayer is delinquent if the taxpayer has failed to pay the tax liability when full payment was due and required. A taxpayer is not delinquent in cases where enforced collection action is precluded.

(ii) *Examples.*

- (A) The taxpayer has received a statutory notice of deficiency, under I.R.C. §6212, which entitles the taxpayer to seek Tax Court review of a proposed tax deficiency. This is not a delinquent tax because it is not a final tax liability. Should the taxpayer seek Tax Court review, this will not be a final tax liability until the taxpayer has exercised all judicial appeal rights.
- (B) The IRS has filed a notice of Federal tax lien with respect to an assessed tax liability, and the taxpayer has been issued a notice under I.R.C. §6320 entitling the taxpayer to request a hearing with the IRS Office of Appeals contesting the lien filing, and to further appeal to the Tax Court if the IRS determines to sustain the lien filing. In the course of the hearing, the taxpayer is entitled to contest the underlying tax liability because the taxpayer has had no prior opportunity to contest the liability. This is not a delinquent tax because it is not a final tax liability. Should the taxpayer seek tax court review, this will not be a final tax liability until the taxpayer has exercised all judicial appeal rights.
- (C) The taxpayer has entered into an installment agreement pursuant to I.R.C. §6159. The taxpayer is making timely payments and is in full compliance with the agreement terms. The taxpayer is not delinquent because the taxpayer is not currently required to make full payment.
- (D) The taxpayer has filed for bankruptcy protection. The taxpayer is not delinquent because enforced collection action is stayed under 11 U.S.C. §362 (the Bankruptcy Code).

- (i) *Certification Regarding Knowledge of Child Labor for Listed End Products (Executive Order 13126).* [The Contracting Officer must list in paragraph (i)(1) any end products being acquired under this solicitation that are included in the List of Products Requiring Contractor Certification as to Forced or Indentured Child Labor, unless excluded at 22.1503(b).]

- (1) *Listed end products.*

| Listed End Product | Listed Countries of Origin |
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- (2) *Certification.* [If the Contracting Officer has identified end products and countries of origin in paragraph (i)(1) of this provision, then the offeror must certify to either (i)(2)(i) or (i)(2)(ii) by checking the appropriate block.]

- (i) The offeror will not supply any end product listed in paragraph (i)(1) of this provision that was mined, produced, or manufactured in the corresponding country as listed for that product.
- (ii) The offeror may supply an end product listed in paragraph (i)(1) of this provision that was mined, produced, or manufactured in the corresponding country as listed for that product. The offeror certifies that it has made a good faith effort to determine whether forced or indentured child labor was used to mine, produce, or manufacture any such end product furnished under this contract. On the basis of those efforts, the offeror certifies that it is not aware of any such use of child labor.

- (j) *Place of manufacture.* (Does not apply unless the solicitation is predominantly for the acquisition of manufactured end products.) For statistical purposes only, the offeror shall indicate whether the place of manufacture of the end products it expects to provide in response to this solicitation is predominantly-

- (1) ☐ In the United States (Check this box if the total anticipated price of offered end products manufactured in the United States exceeds the total anticipated price of offered end products manufactured outside the United States); or
- (2) ☐ Outside the United States.

- (k) *Certificates regarding exemptions from the application of the Service Contract Labor Standards* (Certification by the offeror as to its compliance with respect to the contract also constitutes its certification as to compliance by its subcontractor if it subcontracts out the exempt services.) [The contracting officer is to check a box to indicate if paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) applies.]

- (1) Maintenance, calibration, or repair of certain equipment as described in FAR 22.1003-4(c)(1). The offeror ☐ does ☐ does not certify that—
- (i) The items of equipment to be serviced under this contract are used regularly for other than Governmental purposes and are sold or traded by the offeror (or subcontractor in the case of an exempt subcontract) in substantial quantities to the general public in the course of normal business operations;

- (ii) The services will be furnished at prices which are, or are based on, established catalog or market prices (see FAR 22.1003-4(c)(2)(ii)) for the maintenance, calibration, or repair of such equipment; and
 - (iii) The compensation (wage and fringe benefits) plan for all service employees performing work under the contract will be the same as that used for these employees and equivalent employees servicing the same equipment of commercial customers.
- (2) Certain services as described in FAR 22.1003-4(d)(1). The offeror ☐ does ☐ does not certify that-
 - (i) The services under the contract are offered and sold regularly to non-Governmental customers, and are provided by the offeror (or subcontractor in the case of an exempt subcontract) to the general public in substantial quantities in the course of normal business operations;
 - (ii) The contract services will be furnished at prices that are, or are based on, established catalog or market prices (see FAR 22.1003-4(d)(2)(iii));
 - (iii) Each service employee who will perform the services under the contract will spend only a small portion of his or her time (a monthly average of less than 20 percent of the available hours on an annualized basis, or less than 20 percent of available hours during the contract period if the contract period is less than a month) servicing the Government contract; and
 - (iv) The compensation (wage and fringe benefits) plan for all service employees performing work under the contract is the same as that used for these employees and equivalent employees servicing commercial customers.
- (3) If paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) of this clause applies—
 - (i) If the offeror does not certify to the conditions in paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) and the Contracting Officer did not attach a Service Contract Labor Standards wage determination to the solicitation, the offeror shall notify the Contracting Officer as soon as possible; and
 - (ii) The Contracting Officer may not make an award to the offeror if the offeror fails to execute the certification in paragraph (k)(1) or (k)(2) of this clause or to contact the Contracting Officer as required in paragraph (k)(3)(i) of this clause.
- (l) *Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)* (26 U.S.C. 6109, 31 U.S.C. 7701). (Not applicable if the offeror is required to provide this information to the SAM to be eligible for award.)
 - (1) All offerors must submit the information required in paragraphs (l)(3) through (l)(5) of this provision to comply with debt collection requirements of 31 U.S.C. 7701(c) and 3325(d), reporting requirements of 26 U.S.C. 6041, 6041A, and 6050M, and implementing regulations issued by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).
 - (2) The TIN may be used by the Government to collect and report on any delinquent amounts arising out of the offeror's relationship with the Government (31 U.S.C. 7701(c)(3)). If the resulting contract is subject to the payment reporting requirements described in FAR 4.904, the TIN provided hereunder may be matched with IRS records to verify the accuracy of the offeror's TIN.
 - (3) *Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)*.
 TIN: _____.
 TIN has been applied for.
 TIN is not required because:
 Offeror is a nonresident alien, foreign corporation, or foreign partnership that does not have income effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the United States and does not have an office or place of business or a fiscal paying agent in the United States;
 Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of a foreign government;
 Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of the Federal Government.
 - (4) *Type of organization*.

Sole proprietorship;
Partnership;
Corporate entity (not tax-exempt);
Corporate entity (tax-exempt);
Government entity (Federal, State, or local);
Foreign government;
International organization per 26 CFR1.6049-4;
Other _____.

(5) *Common parent.*

Offeror is not owned or controlled by a common parent;

Name and TIN of common parent:

Name _____.

TIN _____.

(m) *Restricted business operations in Sudan.* By submission of its offer, the offeror certifies that the offeror does not conduct any restricted business operations in Sudan.

(n) *Prohibition on Contracting with Inverted Domestic Corporations.*

- (1) Government agencies are not permitted to use appropriated (or otherwise made available) funds for contracts with either an inverted domestic corporation, or a subsidiary of an inverted domestic corporation, unless the exception at 9.108-2(b) applies or the requirement is waived in accordance with the procedures at 9.108-4.
- (2) *Representation.* The Offeror represents that—
 - (i) It ☐ is, ☐ is not an inverted domestic corporation; and
 - (ii) It ☐ is, ☐ is not a subsidiary of an inverted domestic corporation.

(o) *Prohibition on contracting with entities engaging in certain activities or transactions relating to Iran.*

- (1) The offeror shall e-mail questions concerning sensitive technology to the Department of State at CISADA106@state.gov.
- (2) *Representation and Certifications.* Unless a waiver is granted or an exception applies as provided in paragraph (o)(3) of this provision, by submission of its offer, the offeror—
 - (i) Represents, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that the offeror does not export any sensitive technology to the government of Iran or any entities or individuals owned or controlled by, or acting on behalf or at the direction of, the government of Iran;
 - (ii) Certifies that the offeror, or any person owned or controlled by the offeror, does not engage in any activities for which sanctions may be imposed under section 5 of the Iran Sanctions Act; and
 - (iii) Certifies that the offeror, and any person owned or controlled by the offeror, does not knowingly engage in any transaction that exceeds the threshold at FAR 25.703-2(a)(2) with Iran's Revolutionary Guard Corps or any of its officials, agents, or affiliates, the property and interests in property of which are blocked pursuant to the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (et seq.) (see OFAC's Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List at <https://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sanctions/SDN-List/Pages/default.aspx>).
- (3) The representation and certification requirements of paragraph (o)(2) of this provision do not apply if-

- (i) This solicitation includes a trade agreements certification (*e.g.*, 52.212-3(g) or a comparable agency provision); and
 - (ii) The offeror has certified that all the offered products to be supplied are designated country end products.

- (p) *Ownership or Control of Offeror.*** (Applies in all solicitations when there is a requirement to be registered in SAM or a requirement to have a unique entity identifier in the solicitation).
 - (1) The Offeror represents that it ☐ has or ☐ does not have an immediate owner. If the Offeror has more than one immediate owner (such as a joint venture), then the Offeror shall respond to paragraph (2) and if applicable, paragraph (3) of this provision for each participant in the joint venture.
 - (2) If the Offeror indicates “has” in paragraph (p)(1) of this provision, enter the following information:
 Immediate owner CAGE code: _____.
 Immediate owner legal name: _____.
 (Do not use a “doing business as” name)
 Is the immediate owner owned or controlled by another entity: ☐ Yes or ☐ No.
 - (3) If the Offeror indicates “yes” in paragraph (p)(2) of this provision, indicating that the immediate owner is owned or controlled by another entity, then enter the following information:
 Highest-level owner CAGE code: _____.
 Highest-level owner legal name: _____.
 (Do not use a “doing business as” name)

- (q) *Representation by Corporations Regarding Delinquent Tax Liability or a Felony Conviction under any Federal Law.***
 - (1) As required by sections 744 and 745 of Division E of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235), and similar provisions, if contained in subsequent appropriations acts, The Government will not enter into a contract with any corporation that–
 - (i) Has any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability, where the awarding agency is aware of the unpaid tax liability, unless an agency has considered suspension or debarment of the corporation and made a determination that suspension or debarment is not necessary to protect the interests of the Government; or
 - (ii) Was convicted of a felony criminal violation under any Federal law within the preceding 24 months, where the awarding agency is aware of the conviction, unless an agency has considered suspension or debarment of the corporation and made a determination that this action is not necessary to protect the interests of the Government.
 - (2) The Offeror represents that–
 - (i) It is ☐ is not ☐ a corporation that has any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability; and
 - (ii) It is ☐ is not ☐ a corporation that was convicted of a felony criminal violation under a Federal law within the preceding 24 months.

- (r) *Predecessor of Offeror.*** (Applies in all solicitations that include the provision at 52.204-16, Commercial and Government Entity Code Reporting.)

- (1) The Offeror represents that it ☐ is or ☐ is not a successor to a predecessor that held a Federal contract or grant within the last three years.
- (2) If the Offeror has indicated “is” in paragraph (r)(1) of this provision, enter the following information for all predecessors that held a Federal contract or grant within the last three years (if more than one predecessor, list in reverse chronological order):
 Predecessor CAGE code: (or mark “Unknown”).
 Predecessor legal name: _____.
 (Do not use a “doing business as” name).

(s) [Reserved].

(t) *Public Disclosure of Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Reduction Goals.* Applies in all solicitations that require offerors to register in SAM (12.301(d)(1)).

- (1) This representation shall be completed if the Offeror received \$7.5 million or more in contract awards in the prior Federal fiscal year. The representation is optional if the Offeror received less than \$7.5 million in Federal contract awards in the prior Federal fiscal year.
- (2) Representation. [Offeror to check applicable block(s) in paragraph (t)(2)(i) and (ii)].
 - (i) The Offeror (itself or through its immediate owner or highest-level owner) ☐ does, ☐ does not publicly disclose greenhouse gas emissions, i.e., makes available on a publicly accessible website the results of a greenhouse gas inventory, performed in accordance with an accounting standard with publicly available and consistently applied criteria, such as the Greenhouse Gas Protocol Corporate Standard.
 - (ii) The Offeror (itself or through its immediate owner or highest-level owner) ☐ does, ☐ does not publicly disclose a quantitative greenhouse gas emissions reduction goal, i.e., make available on a publicly accessible website a target to reduce absolute emissions or emissions intensity by a specific quantity or percentage.
 - (iii) A publicly accessible website includes the Offeror's own website or a recognized, third-party greenhouse gas emissions reporting program.
- (3) If the Offeror checked “does” in paragraphs (t)(2)(i) or (t)(2)(ii) of this provision, respectively, the Offeror shall provide the publicly accessible website(s) where greenhouse gas emissions and/or reduction goals are reported:_____.

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- (1) In accordance with section 743 of Division E, Title VII, of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235) and its successor provisions in subsequent appropriations acts (and as extended in continuing resolutions), Government agencies are not permitted to use appropriated (or otherwise made available) funds for contracts with an entity that requires employees or subcontractors of such entity seeking to report waste, fraud, or abuse to sign internal confidentiality agreements or statements prohibiting or otherwise restricting such employees or subcontractors from lawfully reporting such waste, fraud, or abuse to a designated investigative or law enforcement representative of a Federal department or agency authorized to receive such information.
- (2) The prohibition in paragraph (u)(1) of this provision does not contravene requirements applicable to Standard Form 312 (Classified Information Nondisclosure Agreement), Form 4414 (Sensitive Compartmented Information Nondisclosure Agreement), or any other form issued by a Federal department or agency governing the nondisclosure of classified information.

- (3) *Representation.* By submission of its offer, the Offeror represents that it will not require its employees or subcontractors to sign or comply with internal confidentiality agreements or statements prohibiting or otherwise restricting such employees or subcontractors from lawfully reporting waste, fraud, or abuse related to the performance of a Government contract to a designated investigative or law enforcement representative of a Federal department or agency authorized to receive such information (e.g., agency Office of the Inspector General).

(v) Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services-Representation. Section 889(a)(1)(A) of Public Law 115-232.

- (1) The Offeror shall review the list of excluded parties in the System for Award Management (SAM) (<https://www.sam.gov>) for entities excluded from receiving federal awards for “covered telecommunications equipment or services”.
- (2) The Offeror represents that—
- (i) It [] does, [] does not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services as a part of its offered products or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument.
- (ii) After conducting a reasonable inquiry for purposes of this representation, that it [] does, [] does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services.

(End of Provision)

52.229-11 Tax On Certain Foreign Procurements—Notice And Representation (JUN 2020)

(a) Definitions. As used in this provision—

Foreign person means any person other than a United States person.

Specified Federal procurement payment means any payment made pursuant to a contract with a foreign contracting party that is for goods, manufactured or produced, or services provided in a foreign country that is not a party to an international procurement agreement with the United States. For purposes of the prior sentence, a foreign country does not include an outlying area.

United States person as defined in 26 U.S.C. 7701(a)(30) means—

- (1) A citizen or resident of the United States;
- (2) A domestic partnership;
- (3) A domestic corporation;
- (4) Any estate (other than a foreign estate, within the meaning of 26 U.S.C. 701(a)(31)); and
- (5) Any trust if—
- (i) A court within the United States is able to exercise primary supervision over the administration of the trust; and
- (ii) One or more United States persons have the authority to control all substantial decisions of the trust.

(b) Unless exempted, there is a 2 percent tax of the amount of a specified Federal procurement payment on any foreign person receiving such payment. See 26 U.S.C. 5000C and its implementing regulations at 26 CFR 1.5000C-1 through 1.5000C-7.

(c) Exemptions from withholding under this provision are described at 26 CFR 1.5000C-1(d)(5) through (7). The Offeror would claim an exemption from the withholding by using the Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Form W-14, Certificate of Foreign Contracting Party Receiving Federal Procurement Payments, available via the internet at www.irs.gov/w14. Any exemption

claimed and self-certified on the IRS Form W-14 is subject to audit by the IRS. Any disputes regarding the imposition and collection of the 26 U.S.C. 5000C tax are adjudicated by the IRS as the 26 U.S.C. 5000C tax is a tax matter, not a contract issue. The IRS Form W-14 is provided to the acquiring agency rather than to the IRS.

- (d) For purposes of withholding under 26 U.S.C. 5000C, the Offeror represents that—
- (1) It ☐ is ☐ is not a foreign person; and
 - (2) If the Offeror indicates “is” in paragraph (d)(1) of this provision, then the Offeror represents that—I am claiming on the IRS Form W-14 ☐ a full exemption, or ☐ partial or no exemption [*Offeror shall select one*] from the excise tax.
- (e) If the Offeror represents it is a foreign person in paragraph (d)(1) of this provision, then—
- (1) The clause at FAR 52.229-12, Tax on Certain Foreign Procurements, will be included in any resulting contract; and
 - (2) The Offeror shall submit with its offer the IRS Form W-14. If the IRS Form W-14 is not submitted with the offer, exemptions will not be applied to any resulting contract and the Government will withhold a full 2 percent of each payment.
- (f) If the Offeror selects “is” in paragraph (d)(1) and “partial or no exemption” in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision, the Offeror will be subject to withholding in accordance with the clause at FAR 52.229-12, Tax on Certain Foreign Procurements, in any resulting contract.
- (g) A taxpayer may, for a fee, seek advice from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) as to the proper tax treatment of a transaction. This is called a private letter ruling. Also, the IRS may publish a revenue ruling, which is an official interpretation by the IRS of the Internal Revenue Code, related statutes, tax treaties, and regulations. A revenue ruling is the conclusion of the IRS on how the law is applied to a specific set of facts. **For questions relating to the interpretation of the IRS regulations go to <https://www.irs.gov/help/tax-law-questions>.**

(End of provision)

ADDENDUM TO OFFEROR REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS
FAR AND DOSAR PROVISION(S) NOT PRESCRIBED IN PART 12

52.204-24 Representation Regarding Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment (OCT 2020).

The Offeror shall not complete the representation at paragraph (d)(1) of this provision if the offeror has represented that it “does not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services as a part of its offered products or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract, or other contractual instrument” in paragraph (c)(1) in the provision at 52.204–26, Covered Telecommunications Equipment or Services—Representation, or in paragraph (v)(2)(i) of the provision at 52.212–3, Offeror Representations and Certifications—Commercial Items. The Offeror shall not complete the representation in paragraph (d)(2) of this provision if the Offeror has represented that it “does not use covered telecommunications equipment or services, or any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services” in paragraph (c)(2) of the provision at 52.204–26, or in paragraph (v)(2)(ii) of the provision at 52.212–3.

- (a) *Definitions.* As used in this provision—
“Covered telecommunications equipment or services”, “critical technology”, and “substantial or essential component” have the meanings provided in clause 52.204-25, Prohibition on Contracting for Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment.
- (b) *Prohibition.* Section 889(a)(1)(A) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Pub. L. 115-232) prohibits the head of an executive agency on or after August 13, 2019, from procuring or obtaining, or extending or renewing a contract to procure or obtain, any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system. Contractors are not prohibited from providing—
- (1) A service that connects to the facilities of a third-party, such as backhaul, roaming, or interconnection arrangements; or
 - (2) Telecommunications equipment that cannot route or redirect user data traffic or permit visibility into any user data or packets that such equipment transmits or otherwise handles.
- (c) *Procedures.* The Offeror shall review the list of excluded parties in the System for Award Management (SAM) (<https://www.sam.gov>) for entities excluded from receiving federal awards for “covered telecommunications equipment or services”.
- (d) *Representation.* The Offeror represents that it ☐ will, ☐ will not provide covered telecommunications equipment or services to the Government in the performance of any contract, subcontract or other contractual instrument resulting from this solicitation.
- (e) *Disclosures.* If the Offeror has represented in paragraph (d) of this provision that it “will” provide covered telecommunications equipment or services”, the Offeror shall provide the following information as part of the offer—
- (1) A description of all covered telecommunications equipment and services offered (include brand; model number, such as original equipment manufacturer (OEM) number, manufacturer part number, or wholesaler number; and item description, as applicable);
 - (2) Explanation of the proposed use of covered telecommunications equipment and services and any factors relevant to determining if such use would be permissible under the prohibition in paragraph (b) of this provision;
 - (3) For services, the entity providing the covered telecommunications services (include entity name, unique entity identifier, and Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) code, if known); and
 - (4) For equipment, the entity that produced the covered telecommunications equipment (include entity name, unique entity identifier, CAGE code, and whether the entity was the OEM or a distributor, if known).

(End of provision)

52.252-1 Solicitation Provisions Incorporated By Reference (OCT 1998)

This solicitation incorporates one or more solicitation provisions by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at:

<http://www.acquisition.gov/far/> or <http://farsite.hill.af.mil/vffara.htm>

These addresses are subject to change. If the FAR is not available at the locations indicated above, use of an internet “search engine” (for example, Google, Yahoo, Excite) is suggested to obtain the latest location of the most current FAR provisions.

The following Federal Acquisition Regulation solicitation provisions are incorporated by reference:

52.225-25 PROHIBITION ON CONTRACTING WITH ENTITIES ENGAGING IN CERTAIN
ACTIVITIES OR TRANSACTIONS RELATING TO IRAN (JUN 2020)